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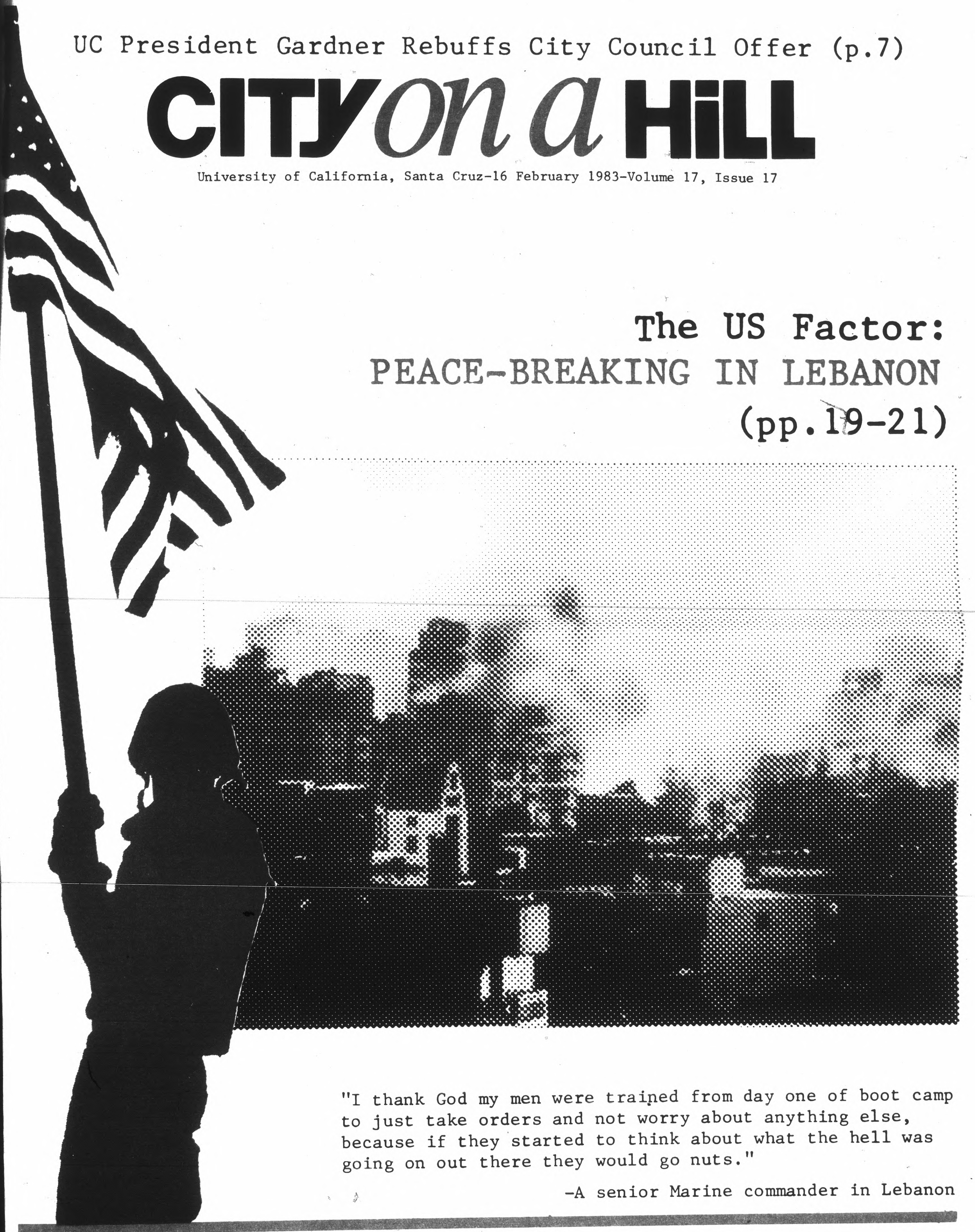

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NEWS *on the* MARCH

YURI UP AGAINST THE WALL Yuri V. Andropov was buried with full honors Tuesday in Red Square at the foot of the Kremlin Wall. Andropov, who died February 9th at the age of 69 from complications stemming from diabetes, heart and kidney problems, had served as the Soviet Union's leader for only 15 months. Yet he made his political mark in the world through his hardline attitude toward President Reagan's military acceleration.

Andropov's successor, Konstantin Chernenko, called Andropov "an ardent champion of peace." In his eulogy, Chernenko said that the Soviet Union wants peace, but he warned: "We are also reiterating our readiness for talks, but for honest talks on the basis of equality and equal security. We will not be scared by threats. Our defenses are strong and we will be able to protect everything accomplished by the Soviet people."

President Reagan did not attend Andropov's funeral. George Bush, who represented Reagan as head of the American delegation, met with Chernenko and Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko for 30 minutes after the funeral.

WAS SHE OR WASN'T SHE? Anna Manahan, the woman claiming to be Anastasia, the last Romanov, died last Sunday in Charlottesville at age 82. Though she neither spoke nor understood Russian, the story she told was the stuff of novels.

It began on July 16, 1918, when she hid behind one of her sisters as her father Czar Nicholas II and the rest of her family were murdered by the Bolsheviks during the years of the Russian revolution. She was then smuggled to Romania by a sympathetic soldier who she later married. Soon after, she says, Soviet agents murdered him and kidnapped her only son.

Europeans first heard her story in 1922 when she survived a suicide attempt, but it was not until 1933 that she pressed her claim to an $85 million dowry supposedly in the Bank of England. The bank has never confirmed or denied the existence of the dowry. Her legal battle to be recognized as Anastasia, primary heir of the Russian crown and properties, ended in 1970 when a German court ruled that the case could never be resolved and it was closed.

Manahan's biographer, Peter Kurth, said that there was a real political motive to prove her story fiction. It was in the '20s that remnants of the royal Romanov family in exile in Germany resolved never to believe her tale. They thought the Soviet government would never last and a direct descendant of Czar Nicholas would only complicate their struggle for the Russian throne, should it ever surface from the depths of Marxism. Though German handwriting and forensics experts concluded from photos and handwriting analysis that Anastasia and Manahan were the same person, Russian history specialists never took her claim seriously.

Manahan had been quite ill for the last ten years and is survived by her husband, John Manahan, a professor at the University of Virginia.

GEMAYEL'S WOES: Druze militiamen won a major victory over Lebanese Army units in the Mous mountains southeast of Beirut on Tuesday. After 18 hours of ground fighting, artillery duels and air strikes, the army's Fourth Brigade was forced to abandon strategic positions along a ridge overlooking the capital. It was the second severe setback for President Amin Gemayel's army. Last week Druse and Shi'ite militiamen drove the Lebanese army out of West Beirut, and by Wednesday US Marines at Beirut airport found themselves surrounded by the anti-Gemayel forces.

GOLDEN PRECEDENTS The first gold medal of America's Olympic team went to Debbie Armstrong, in women's giant slalom. In a television interview immediately after her win, she was asked if in her wildest dreams she had ever expected to take the gold. "Well, maybe in my wildest dreams." Armstrong is in her second year on the "B" Olympic ski team.

During her two-run combined time of two minutes 28.98 seconds, she said she had had "the time of her life." Christin Cooper, also of the American team, placed second. American Tamara McKinney missed the bronze by .43 seconds and it went to Perrine Pelen of France.

Armstrong's win amazed international observers as she entered the Olympics without ever winning an international competition. Top women's ski teams have traditionally been Swiss, German, and Austrian. This year the US team decidedly broke the tradition. No two Americans have ever finished first-second in any skiing race in the history of the winter games. It is the first time two women have won two medals and the first gold in the event by an American woman.

THE COST OF DEMOCRACY The government of Nigeria, only a month and a half old, said Monday that it cannot afford to hold general elections. Major General Mohammed Buhari who seized control of the African nation in a coup last New Year's Eve, told a Nigerian newspaper that the government has no money to pay for a Federal Election Commission, ballot boxes, ballot papers or police to supervise elections.

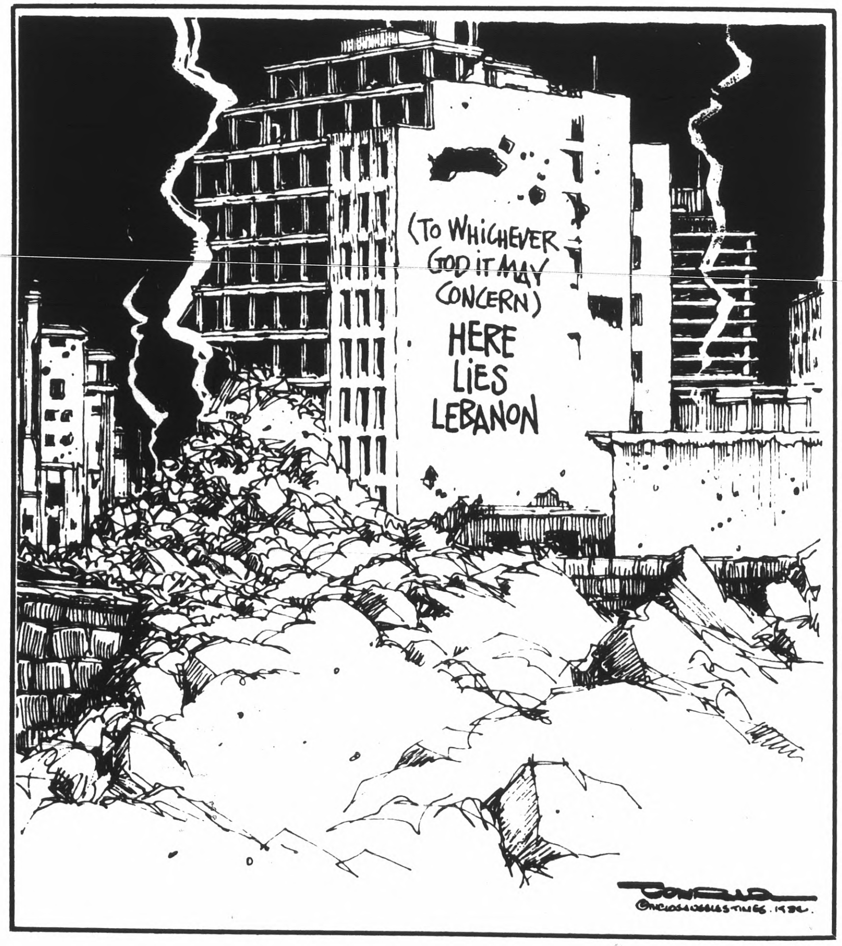
The president of Nigeria, Shelu Shaguri, is under house arrest after being charged with vote rigging and fraud in the election that he won last summer. His vice-president is being held in a maximum security prison because, according to the new military ruler, he is suspected of being involved in shady oil deals.

A GREEN LOSS: West Germany's Greens party was shocked last week when one of its most respected parliamentary deputies resigned in protest over "power struggles" within the party.

The deputy, Gert Bastian, a retired general who left the West German army to protest American medium-range missiles, quit after complaining of bitter infighting and a "strong anti-American undertow" in the Greens' foreign policy positions.

Bastian had lent weight and expertise to the young party's neutralist foreign policy formulations. His departure comes in the midst of a three-way power struggle between the Greens' Socialists, its so-called "fundamentalists," and reformist advocates of collaboration with the large Social Democratic Party.

The former general will remain as an independent in Parliament, reducing the Greens' parliamentary group to 27 members. Should one more deputy quit, the Greens would lose their standing as a parliamentary group. ✓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HERE LIES LEBANON

The Scales of Justice

by Lisa Crystal

Photo by ANNIE VALVA

Although a federal judge dismissed her case, UCSC music professor Julia Zaustinsky still claims she is a victim of sex descrimination.

A FEDERAL JUDGE HAS FOUND "no persuasive evidence" that UCSC associate music professor Julia Zaustinsky is a victim of sex discrimination at the university.

The December 12 decision, which Zaustinsky is appealing with the support of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), is the result of a lawsuit Zaustinsky filed against UC four years ago. Zaustinsky claims that the university has discriminated against her in various ways which have prevented her from being promoted to a full professorship and enjoying a productive work environment in the music department. She took her case to court after the UC administration failed to respond to the reports of two federal agencies which confirmed that she was a victim of sex discrimination.

But in his Findings, Conclusions, and Memorandum of Opinion, US District Judge William Schwarzer attributed Zaustinsky's failure to be promoted to her own shortcomings rather than discrimination on the part of the university. "Her record of community service is nearly barren," Schwarzer wrote. "Her contribution [to the music board] is not comparable to that of her colleagues."

Schwarzer also wrote that Zaustinsky has taken an excessive number of leaves from her teaching duties over the past few years—"approximately one out of every three quarters"—and that she was even removed from the university payroll for being absent without taking offical leave. "This record places the plaintiff in a class by herself," the judge wrote. He added that he had found "no evidence" that Zaustinsky "produced anything to advance her professional standing" during these leaves.

The judge also wrote that Zaustinsky's difficulties in her department can be traced to her own lack of cooperation and flexibility in working with her colleagues. Schwarzer found that Zautinsky has a "tendency to escalate run-of-the-mill disputes and differences which are a normal part of academic life into major controversies." The judge concluded that Zaustinsky has "failed to prove that in her professional activity she was subjected to interference or harassment."

The decision may only exacerbate the decade-long controversy among UCSC faculty and administrators regarding the Zaustinsky case. Last year every tenured music faculty member signed a petition citing Zaustinsky with incompetence and "dereliction of duty," and recommended her dismissal from her tenured position of 18 years. UCSC's Committee on Privilege and Tenure (PTC) conducted hearings last summer to decide whether to recommend stripping Zaustinsky of her tenure. According to PTC chair Richard Wasserstrom, the PTC is expected to reach a decision by next quarter—and if it recommends her dismissal to the chancellor, Zaustinsky may become the first tenured faculty member to be fired from the UC system in 33 years.

But Zaustinsky denies charges that she is incompetent and cites what she believes to be evidence that the university has discriminated against her. She complains that she has been forced to teach introductory classes, treated rudely and harassed at music board meetings, and that she has been denied promotion because she has not had proper peer reviews and her work has been impeded by her colleagues.

Zaustinsky claims that after she was hired in 1965, "certain administrators with no background in music...made appointments in music to their friends. When I opposed some of these appointments, both on grounds of inappropriateness and failure to adhere to University procedures, I was found to be 'uncooperative' and 'abrasive.' "

For example, she says that after she developed a successful chamber orchestra on campus in the late 1960s, a new orchestra director, Sherwood Dudley, was appointed without her knowledge or consultation in the fall of 1969 and her orchestra was eliminated. Zaustinsky claims that Dudley "aided and abetted" a student-letter-writing campaign opposing her regaining directorship of the orchestra. "The student letters are now being used as evidence of my 'bad' teaching," she said.

Dudley, however, pointed out that he directed the University Orchestra, not the Cowell Pro-Musica Orchestra which Zaustinsky directed. He denies any involvement in a letter-writing campaign and added, "None of the allegations which Professor Zaustinsky has made is correct. The testimony that emerged at both the PTC and federal court provides ample proof of the validity of my statements."

Following that incident, Zaustinsky said it became "impossible to work effectively on campus," and she requested a leave of absence. She said her leaves of absence, the last of which was taken in 1980-81 to play with the American Symphony, "have been turned into a charge" against her.

While the PTC deliberates her case, Zaustinsky is appealing Schwarzer's decision because she believes her discrimination suit was not properly heard in federal court. She pointed out that while members of the music board were permitted to testify on the university's behalf, the judge "didn't allow the testimony of expert witnesses or evidence obtained by the [US] Office of Civil Rights" on her side.

One expert witness who was not permitted to testify was John Kelley, a UC Berkeley professor who prepared Zaustinsky's tenure defense for last summer's PTC hearings. His report was not admitted as evidence either. "The judge heard the university's case...he didn't really hear our case," Zaustinsky said. "The judge was clearly protecting the establishment." She pointed out that following the judge's decision, music board chair Linda Burman-Hall sent a letter of gratitude to the judge on behalf of the music board and enclosed a personal gift of two tickets to a private viewing of the Vatican Exhibit in San Francisco.

Linda Mallette, Zaustinsky's attorney, believes their case was hindered by the fact that they did not have access to information in her or other board members' personnel files. Zaustinsky said that in order to accurately evaluate the material in her file, the judge would "need to do a comparative analysis" of other personnel files. She is also perturbed by the fact that Schwarzer admitted evidence only from the years 1975-80 instead of her entire time at UCSC which dates back to 1965.

Opinions in the UCSC community seem to be sharply divided over the case. Students have described her teaching techniques as "very effective," "well-prepared," and "rewarding," as well as "uninspired," "ineffective," and "inadequate" in letters solicited by the music board.

And while her musical colleagues claim that she is incompetent, the AFT supports her. AFT member and UCSC writing instructor Roz Spafford says that the AFT will continue to support her throughout the case and believes that Zaustinsky has been unfairly "typecast as a crazy lady" by her colleagues instead of having her grievances seriously considered. ✓

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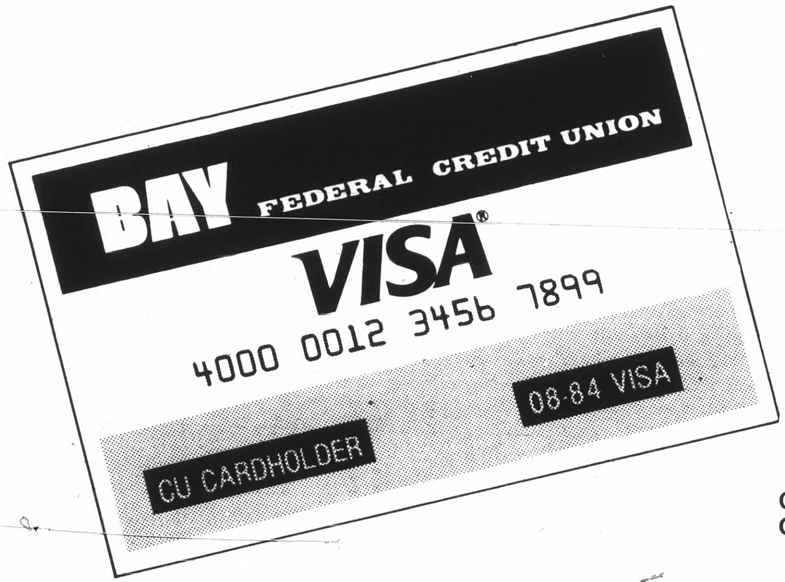

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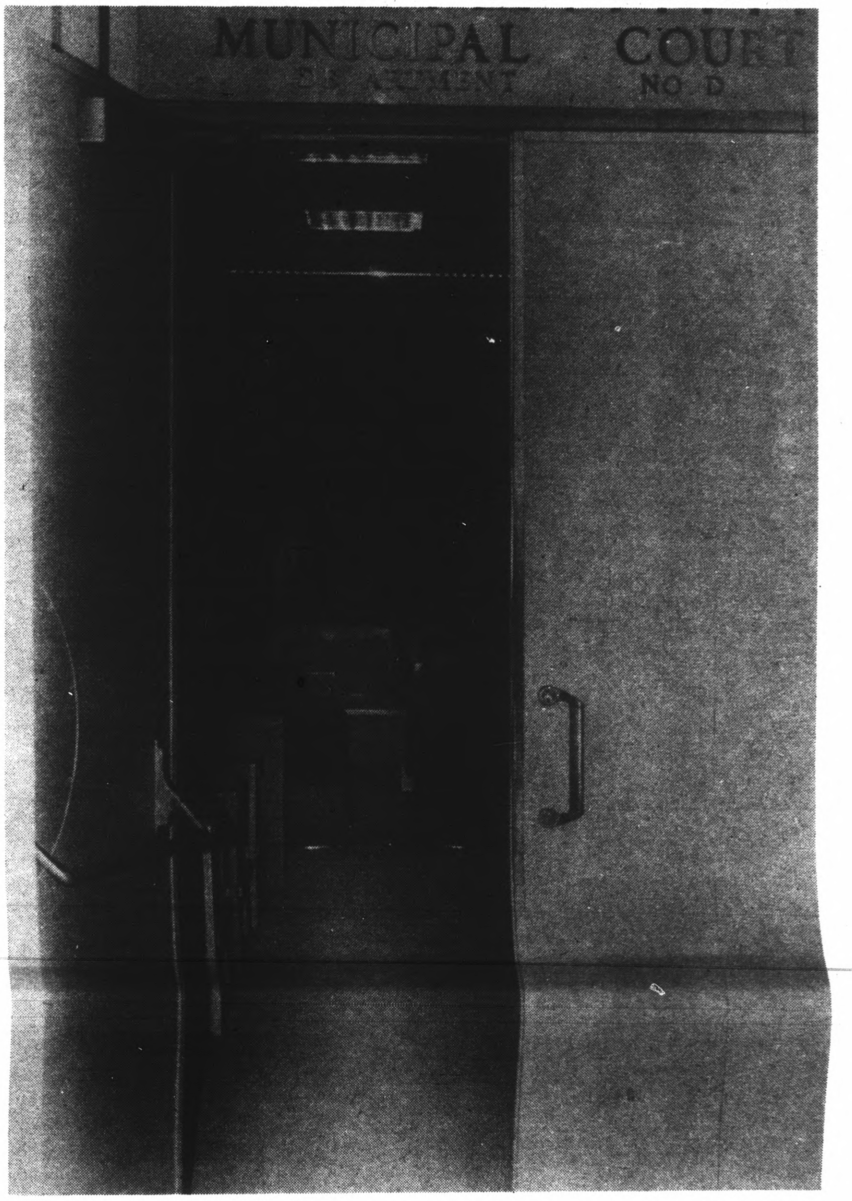
Voter Fraud and the Grand Jury

A Matter of Undue Influence?



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by Joe McGowan

WHEN THE SANTA CRUZ County Grand Jury began a full-scale investigation into voter misconduct last October, they derived much of their information and direction from an investigation conducted by a private group, Citizens Against Voter Fraud (CAVF). Because CAVF is closely tied to conservative politics, and because the findings of the grand jury investigation resulted in a court challenge that could oust Councilmember Jane Weed and the progressive majority elected in November, many progressives claim the joint invesitgation was politically motivated. Spokespeople from both CAVF and the grand jury, however, maintain they acted without political bias to uphold the law.

Last June, CAVF collected 3,100 signatures in an attempt to place a referendum on the November ballot. The petition called for the city of Santa Cruz to hire a full-time voter fraud investigator to "ensure that the equitable exercise of the election franchise by all lawful registrants is protected and not diluted." William Sweringen, CAVF director, claimed that this pre-election campaign shows that CAVF was interested in protecting the law, rather than changing election results. "I want every single illegal voter in Santa Cruz thrown off the rolls," he said, "and I don't care which side they're on."

CAVF failed, however, to collect enough signatures to place the referendum on the ballot. Instead they asked the city council to either hire the investigator, which would cost the city an estimated $50,000 per year, or to place the referendum on the ballot. The progressive majority did neither, saying the problem was manufactured, and hiring a voter fraud investigator would discourage voters.

According to Sweringen, even if illegal voters were to be purged from rolls, the present election challenge would continue. "If our group had not gone out and collected 3,100 signatures to get an investigator and made a major issue of it, I might not feel so strongly," said Sweringen. "But the people that won this election, and who are going to lose this challenge, are people who were directly involved against putting an investigator on the job."

Former Mayor Bruce Van Allen said CAVF— even at the time of the petition drive—was gearing its campaign to challenge the November election. "Otherwise," he said, "they would have started early enough to gather all the signatures they needed. They are exploiting anti-UCSC sentiment to manipulate the election results."

Sweringen named Sandra Mock and Polly Doyle as two key members in the organization. Doyle is a member of the All Santa Cruz Coalition, which supported the conservative slate in the November election, and Mock is chairperson of Alert Santa Cruz, another group with conservative ties. Mock claimed, however, that she was not a member of CAVF. She wasn't surprised at the confusion though. "Many of these organizations overlap," she said.

Sweringen said that legal counsel for the CAVF is a conservative attorney, Tim Morgan, who also represents the plaintiffs in the election challenge now in progress. According to Sweringen, "Without Tim, I don't know if I could have done it."

Sweringen, a realtor, admits that he has voted improperly in the past. "I'm not going to say I'm lily white. There have been times in the past that I voted in a precinct where I didn't live. That doesn't make it right."

After the CAVF petition failed, Sweringen attempted to obtain university records to compare these figures with voter registration rolls. University officials, however, denied him access to the information. In mid-October, he took the registration rolls, and his estimates of the number of students living on campus to the grand jury.

Sweringen claims that he spoke with juror Paul Bihler, who brought the complaint to Jury Foreperson Julius Defosset and Superior Court Judge Roland Hall. Bihler called Sweringen back the next day and told him that the grand jury had decided to proceed with the investigation. The grand jury, an official agency of the Santa Cruz county government, consists of 19 county residents.

Defosset, on the other hand, maintains that the jury began investigating voter fraud last May, when California Secretary of State March Fong Eu encouraged the establishment of a voter fraud investigator at a meeting of the Democratic Women's Club.

According to juror Helene Harper, the grand jury spends 70 percent of its time functioning as ombudsperson for the county and city governments. They accept and investigate complaints concerning government employees. They also check to see that funding is spent correctly. They have the power to conduct criminal investigations, and if necessary, to issue criminal indictments.

The grand jury subpoenaed housing contracts and local student addresses from university records, and released findings that 472 registrants had voted on campus, while living elsewhere.

The resulting election challenge is now in its fifth week in court. Superior Court Judge Harry Brauer is hearing testimony from 100 to 300 witnesses before deciding the case. If Brauer rules in favor of 22 plaintiffs, City Councilmember Jane Weed will be replaced by her closest consevative opponent, Bill Fieberling, giving the conservatives a majority on the council.

Election law mandates that challenges must be filed within 40 days of an election. During this period of time, the Grand Jury did not investigate precincts outside the UCSC Campus. Progressives claim alleged voter impropriety can be found in all precincts. City Councilmember Mardi Wormhoudt said she found registrant addresses at Harvey West Industrial Park, and on the Pacific Garden Mall. Defosset said the investigation was centered around the university because of "numerous allegations, and time limitations." Councilmember Mike Rotkin claims that the grand jury was used as a "tool" of local conservatives. Defosset denied the charges and said that by law, "the whole thing (investigation) has to be done fairly."

Although, the deadline for election challenges has passed the grand jury is currently investigating the remaining precincts in the city. However, they are only investigating addresses which list three or more registrations.

Bihler announced that at least 100 names have been found of people who registered in places of business—where there are no apparent living quarters. However, a day later, Foreperson Defosset said he thought the estimate was high and that it was premature to release the estimates.

Bihler said there were probably 19 different opinions among the grand jury members, concerning the voter fraud. In order to maintain a single voice, grand jury members are told not to answer questions independently, but to refer them to the foreperson. Statements to the press, however, were released without the knowledge of the entire grand jury.

On November 18—weeks before the investigation was completed—the jury also released a report on the university investigation. Sources say a report released during the interim of an investigaiton is unprecedented for this body.

There are no members from the university community on the grand jury. According tothe Jury Commissioner, Denie Lindgren, "Students have served in the past, and students have resigned in the past, because they didn't have the time."

At least one juror said he wasn't sure the process in which he was chosen was completely objective. According to Jury Commissioner Denie Lindgren, six hundred people are chosen at random, by their driver's license, to be considered to serve on the Grand Jury. From those who send back a card saying they would like to serve, Lindgren selects 70 who seem to have the time available. With the help of a former grand juror, she then narrows the numbers to 30 ensuring there are six prospective jurors from each supervisorial district. The nineteen jurors are picked at random from these thirty, and the remainder become alternates. Bihler said when he was selected, the jury commissioner questioned him about his occupation, but he did not feel the questions were in any way political.

Progressive Demos Eye '84 Convention

by Chris Geiger

THE INNER WORKINGS OF Democratic Party politics can easily mystify the most astute political observer. With 1984 at hand and Ronald Reagan running for re-election, some progressive Santa Cruz Democrats are trying to dispel the mysteries and promote greater involvement in the candidate selection process. These local activists are working to bring peace, environmental concerns, foreign policy, and other issues to the convention floor.

To many voters, conventions bring to mind seething crowds of tobacco-obsessed power brokers, trading political favors like baseball cards; but beyond the popular imagery lie processes too crucial to ignore. Delegates play a central, though little understood role in Democratic Party workings. Voters in the June primary elections will vote for a candidate's delegates, not for the candidates themselves. The candidiates whose delegates win the most votes may each send five delegates to the national convention in San Francisco. Besides supporting and working for their chosen candidate, delegates exert some leverage on the candidate's decisions, raise issues at the convention, and help establish the party platform. Party rules require the delegation from each state to proportionally represent the state's ethnic population and to reserve half of the amount seats in the delegation for women.

Non-politicians may get involved in a number of ways. They may work with campaign groups, building local support and registering voters. They may attend a particular candidate's caucus on March 11, where they can vote for delegates. Or they may run for delegate positions themselves, which are open to any registered Democrats.

Democratic Party activists admit that the process is complicated and often not so democratic. For example, well-known delegate candidates—such as elected officials—are favored in the selection process, because name recognition is important on the ballot. While these public figures provide the convention with a wealth of political experience, some feel that an influx of new ideas is just as important. "The conventions need a balance of experienced politicians and grassroots people," said Santa Cruz County Nuclear Freeze Coordinator Dan Haifley. "It is a good place to throw ideas around, and a chance to expose the rest of the country to the unique ideas here in Santa Cruz."

California Senator Alan Cranston has attracted the big names in Santa Cruz

Another less-than-democratic aspect is the presidential candidate's option to reject those delegates elected by district caucuses. Such an action is rare, however, since candidates prefer not to lose local support, according to Santa Cruz Mayor John Laird.

Many voters shy away from Democratic Party politics in favor of building a more responsive third party. Others reject electoral politics entirely. Former Santa Cruz Mayor Bert Muhley, a party activist, acknowledges that "time is running out" for the Democrats, but maintains that it would be "disastrous to have a third party in this election, with Ronald Reagan and the media manipulators at the helm."

"If our goal is to beat Reagan and not just vent frustrations," said Muhley, "then there is no logical reason not to vote, or to vote for a third party."

Haifley maintains that those who avoid Democratic Party politics are ignoring possible accesss to the decison-making level. He characterized the party as a coalition, and expressed the necessity for "working out problems, and not just copping out."

A group of local environmental and peace activists recently put forward one strategy for advancing their causes within the Democratic Party. At a January 28 workshop organized by Sierra Club Political Action Chair Robin Brooks, about 40 participants decided to place as many progresssive delegates on Democratic candidates' slates as possible. By including environmental, peace, labor and other activists on each candidate's slate, these concerns stand a better chance of being voiced on the convention floor.

Californians for a Bilateral Nuclear Weapons Freeze are pursuing another strategy. While endorsing any candidate who supports a nuclear weapons freeze, their "Freeze Voter '84" project also identifies a block of voters pledging to support that issue. "If a candidate sees that we can deliver assured votes, the nuclear arms issue will fare well, both in his campaign and in the party platform," said Haifley. "There is no doubt that the freeze will be a plank in the party platform."

So far, four of the seven Democratic candidates have found support in Santa Cruz' 16th Congressional district, which also includes Monterey and part of the Salinas Valley. Walter Mondale, Jesse Jackson, George McGovern, and Alan Cranston each have their followings, with most activity occurring in Santa Cruz itself.

California Senator Alan Cranston has so far attracted the big names in Santa Cruz politics, with Mayor John Laird, Vice-Mayor Mardi Wormhoudt, and County Supervisor Gary Patton all considering running for delegate positions. Assemblymember Sam Farr and State Senator Henry Mello also endorse Cranston. "We've all worked with him over the years," said Laird. "Although I'm personally very unhappy with his stand on the MX and B-1 Bomber (which Cranston supports), it is outweighed by his stands on other issues, such as offshore oil, the role of the UN, world peace, and gay rights."

Although he leads other candidates substantially in the national polls, Walter Mondale does not share Cranston's popularity among local public figures. An early starter in the race, he has already gained almost every major endorsement in the Democratic Party, is backed by Representative Leon Panetta, and is generally favored to win the nomination. Supporters of other candidates, however, often accuse him of taking weak stands. They emphasize the convention delegates' responsibility to strengthen Mondale's stance on the issues, should Mondale be nominated. One prospective Mondale delegate is UCSC student Becky Haussman, chair of the Student Democratic Coalition. "My one priority is to beat Ronald Reagan," she said.

Many Democratic Party activists, especially Jackson and McGovern supporters, said they believe that a strong stand on the issues is most critical for defeating Reagan next fall. Dwelling on personality or adopting a more conservative platform is inviting defeat, they claim, because that would be playing in "Reagan's ballpark."

"The convention is a chance to expose the rest of the country to the unique ideas in Santa Cruz"

"There are so many people who have never voted for anyone," said McGovern supporter Muhly, "that the front-runners have to make it worthwile for them to come in." He points to McGovern's proposed 25 percent defense budget cut and unpopular stand against the Grenadian invasion as examples of a "clear, unequivocal platform."

Many activists believe that McGovern's chances are crippled by his 1972 landslide loss to Richard Nixon. But Muhly stresses the importance of McGovern's candidacy even if Mondale is nominated. "Not giving people like McGovern a forum (at the convention) enables Mondale to get away without commitment," he remarked. "In that case, the greatest showman wins—Reagan."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson's campaign has surprised some local activists. "It's more of a social movement than a campaign," observed Luther Wallace, a Jackson supporter and possible delegate candidate. Jackson has never held a political office, but is adept at grassroots organizing. Jackson's campaign is aimed primarily at the millions of unregistered voters, whom Wallace refers to as "all those rocks lying around."

Jackson has garnered a fairly impressive list of local support, with 15 names submitted so far as delegate candidates. Among these names are former UCSC history professor Page Smith, local businessperson/activist Bob Lissner, sociology professor William Domhoff, history profesor John Dizikes, and several Chicano activists in Watsonville. Although the AFL-CIO officially endorses Mondale, many labor people are still supporting Jackson. "If I had to look for a McGovern of '84," said John Laird, "I'd look to Jesse Jackson."

Many Democratic Party participants remain critical of the party's mechanisms. Laird, for one, is "very unhappy with the process," and condemns the overabundance of political hacks, the scarcity of grassroot participation, and the notorious propensity for trading off favors. For now though, as Democratic activist Chris Matthews commented, "it's a weird game, but it's the only one in town."

Gardner to City Council

No Comment

by Todd Woody

THE CITY COUNCIL'S PLANS TO meet with UC President David Gardner crumbled Tuesday when a systemwide administrator informed Mayor John Laird that Gardner would not attend a public hearing on Measure A and UCSC's proposed R&D Center during his two-day stay in Santa Cruz next week.

On February 7 the council voted to invite Gardner to a special meeting to hear city and citizen concerns over Measure A and the R&D Center. The council action came after UCSC Chancellor Robert Sinsheimer refused to sign a memorandum of agreement with the city that would require the university to comply with Measure A and submit its project to the local planning process.

On the following Tuesday UC Vice President Donald Brady called Laird to convey a message from Gardner: the president respectfully declined to attend the public hearing to meet with any city official regarding Measure A or the R&D Center. According to Laird, Gardner refused to participate in such a meeting because he considers the matter to be a local issue at this point. Furthermore, Gardner would have no comment on the project until a specific proposal is advanced by the chancellor. At press time, systemwide officials were not available for comment when contacted by *City on a Hill*.

> *"I think it's ironic that the chancellor refuses to get involved in this because he says it's a 'state issue' and Gardner says he can't get involved because it's a 'local issue.' "*
>
> *—councilmember Mike Rotkin*

"I understand (Gardner's position) but I am disappointed," said Laird. "There's an expectation that the citizens who would be paying for a substantial part of this research park should be involved in the planning process. I will continue to work for university compliance with Measure A."

Gardner's response elicited anger and disappointment from some city officials and their supporters while others warned that the council went too far in pressing for compliance.

"I think its unfortunate that he (Gardner) is unwilling to hear the concerns of the citizens of Santa Cruz," said councilmember Mike Rotkin. "It's rather ironic that the chancellor says he can't get involved in this because of state issues and that Gardner says he can't get involved because it's a local issue."

Citizens for University Responsibility (CUR), a group of residents pressing for university compliance with Measure A, expressed frustration that Gardner will be meeting with representatives from UCSC students, faculty, and administrators as well as community leaders (at a luncheon) but would not consent to listen to the council or other citizens. According to CUR member Denise Holbert the group wanted to meet with Gardner while he was in Santa Cruz.

"We're very disappointed that he is coming to the campus and town yet won't meet with its citizens or officials," said Holbert. "I wonder about the sincerity of the president."

Holbert said CUR intends to stage a demonstration during Gardner's visit to show community support for Measure A. She said CUR is also investigating other strategies including legal action to require the university to adhere to the ordinance.

Conservatives claim, however, that the progressives are pursuing a non-productive confrontational approach in order to implement Measure A. Councilmember Arnold Levine advocated more negotiations with the university. "I think there should be continued negotiations between the city and the university," said Levine. "We need to sit down and work our problems out."

Progressives maintain that the chancellor's refusal to comply with Measure A and his reiteration of his original position—that he will be glad to meet informally with a small group of community officials to look over the plans but will not submit them to the planning process—has brought negotiations to a stalemate.

"At this point trying to get the chancellor to participate in discussion has been a frustrating and unproductive experience," said councilmember Mardi Wormhoudt. "His refusal to sign the accord and his response is essentially the same position he has always taken."

"It was unusual to try to bring a systemwide official into an issue that still revolved around a local issue," said Wormhoudt. "But the fact that 72 percent of the voters expressed a concern over the R&D project (by passing Measure A) and the debate it has provoked on campus and in the community make this a systemwide concern."

Rebuffed by Gardner—at least for the present—the council now finds itself locked into a stalemate with the university. At their Tuesday meeting councilmembers split 4-3 over a vote to send another letter to Sinsheimer reaffirming the city's commitment to Measure A and suggesting that the chancellor participate in a public discussion as to how differences between the university and the city could be resolved to allow implementation of the ordinance.

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The PEACESAT Satellite

New Waves at UCSC

by Chris Geiger

HAS THE LACK OF ONE SEEMingly minor bit of technical information ever brought your auto repair, paper-writing, or other project to a humiliating halt?

Imagine how much worse your plight could be if you lived on a tiny Pacific island—4000 miles from the nearest library—and you will appreciate projects like PEACESAT. This innovative satellite communications system is weaving a web of information around the Pacific, and will soon be available to the UCSC community. As it opens up vast possibilities for fostering local self-reliance and improving peoples' lives, PEACESAT also raises some difficult questions concerning the appropriateness of bringing hi-tech to the Third World.

PEACESAT stands for Pan-Pacific Educational and Communication Experiments by Satellite. It consists of 18 small, low-power ground stations all over the Pacific, linked by the NASA ATS-1 satellite. The ground stations transmit radio signals to the satellite, which amplifies them and bounces them back to points beyond the horizon. Users may converse casually, or they may use microcomputers to pipe concentrated bursts of information (electronic mail) back and forth. PEACESAT makes dialogues, forums, and information exchanges possible over 42 percent of the Earth's surface.

Since its modest beginnings in 1971, PEACESAT has provided some valuable services for the Pacific region. For example, its access to medical information made the control of cholera on Tarawera possible. It provided the only communication out of Tonga after that island was devastated by a great tidal wave, and permitted doctors combatting dengue fever to confer several times per week for many years. Last April, the second annual Pacific Heads of State Conference was held on the network. The PEACESAT system has also been used for conferences on community development, nutrition, Pacific culture, renewable energy, and other topics.

The UCSC PEACESAT station, located on the second floor of Kerr Hall, will begin staging public satellite conferences some time this month. Students and faculty will be able to participate in a variety of open exchanges with stations throughout the Pacific basin, including the Universtiy of Technology in Papua, New Guinea and the Rural Technology Institute in Tonga. They can also receive advice and instruction on the use of computer teleconferencing.

Several UCSC faculty are finding applications for the PEACESAT system. For example, earth sciences professor Jim Gill is planning to use the system for communication with seismology researchers in Costa Rica. Don Rothman is participating in an educational network between a Harrisburg, Pennsylvania middle school, Del Mar Middle School in Santa Cruz, and a junior high school in American Samoa. Sjamsir Sjarif of the UCSC Third World Resource Center is hoping to use the facility for teaching Third World issues. And community studies professor Bill Friedland hopes to set up an agricultural information link between the University of Michigan, UCSC, and stations in Nicaragua.

Networking is what PEACESAT and similar projects are all about. According to Dr. Jeffrey Stamps of the Networking Institute, a network is "a web of free-standing participants, cooperating through shared interests and values." Participants envision these intricate communication networks as creating entities larger than their individual parts, ushering in a new age of decentralized "information economies."

Besides PEACESAT UCSC station operator Richard Civille has been tapping into several other "transnational community networks," and tying them all together into a still larger network. ECONET, for example, is composed of alternative technology, environmental, and international development groups, who collaborate and share information by computer. Along with UCSC, the groups involved include Volunteers in Asia, Farallones Institute, RAIN, Volunteers in Technical Assistance, and Appropriate Technology International.

Application of computers within the networks provides more communication possibilities. Civille emphasized the need for escaping the computers' image as "just computers." "Don't think of them as crunching numbers," he said, "think of them as passing messages." As a tool, he maintains that "computers are to communication what cars are to highways." By increasing the "message traffic," he says, we increase the potential for collective action, business connections, and interactions in general. With hundreds of thousands of people sharing ideas and strategies around the globe, the results could be "truly revolutionary."

Civille refers to a hypothetical activist network as an illustration. "Suppose you have a peace network, and you want to send a 300-word bulletin to 50 locations around the world," he said. "You can do it—instantly—at a cost of about 50 cents." On the Orwellian side of the coin, he notes that it is just as easy for anyone to monitor such messages.

Many PEACESAT networkers are interested in applying their global webs to international development. There are severe inequalities in world information access, they argue, which prevents impoverished countries from advancing. They believe that communication/information links could provide Third World countries with the means for sidestepping industrialization and progressing toward more decentralized, humane societies. At the very least, they maintain, the countries would have easier access to critical health and agricultural information.

Civille noted that the necessary equipment for such links is surprisingly inexpensive, making the idea still more attractive for isolated areas. "These are not *Star Wars* systems," he said. "They're off-the-shelf components, the cheapest money can buy." He estimated that a complete ground station, including a microcomputer, would cost less than $5000.

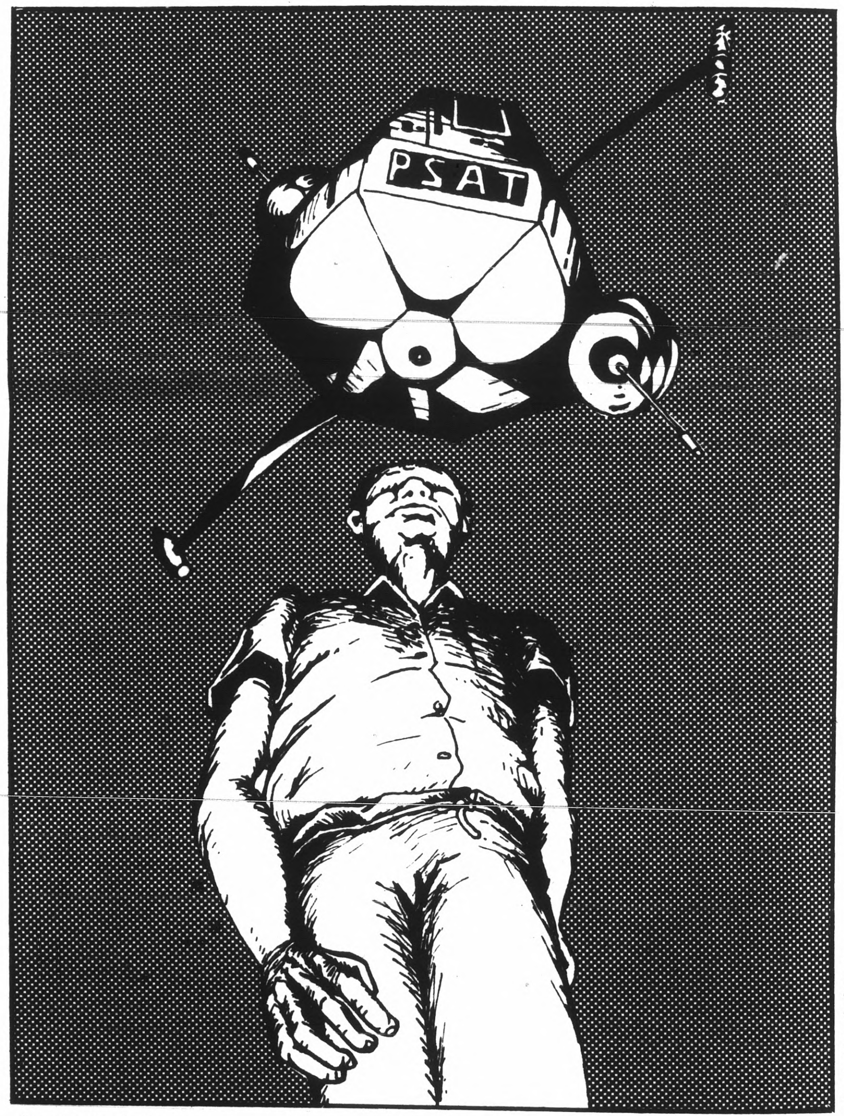
The social implications of these well-meaning programs, however, may present major obstacles to their success. Civille pointed out the possibility of the new technologies becoming just another facet of the "cultural imperialism" which already characterizes our development programs. English is the dominant language in networks, he observed, and the technology is intrinsically "geared to Western styles of thinking." He added, "The question is whether we are providing a new tool for community self-reliance, or whether we are simply creating another instance of technological dependence."

Environmental studies professor Langdon Winner seriously questions the view that computers and communication networks can help create a more democratic, egalitarian world. "Having been saturated as a society by TV, we should by now understand the paradox of communication," said Winner. "TV is a communications medium which actually inhibits communication by preventing our talking with one another." Winner wonders whether this communications paradox would be overcome in PEACESAT.

According to Winner, there is also a tendency—especially in the US—to find a new technology and then "search around frantically looking for a use." "It's often a comical situation," he said, citing the use of personal computers for such tasks as storing recipes.

The prospects of ferrying advanced computer/satellite technologies into thatched-hut settings also raise questions of scale. Are such sophisticated devices really needed, or would simpler communication media suffice? Civille noted that in many cases providing such advanced technologies in the Third World might be a classic case of overkill, "like driving a Cadillac down the block to the grocery store."

In an attempt to get a better idea of what such technological transfers involve, the UCSC PEACESAT station is beginning an experimental link with Paita, Peru. Like other fishing villages in the area, Paita's economy was devastated by El Nino this year. The US Agency for International Development (USAID) is beginning its own relief activities there later this year; but according to Civille USAID is well known for its "trickle down" development policies. The purpose of the PEACESAT information link, he said, is to discover "how having information access might help the community decide its own course, rather than having it spoon-fed by USAID." He hopes that having the resource will at least create the possibility for local self-determination—development from the "bottom up." ✓



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No More Waiting

Women in the Lobby

Photo by LAURIE COLE

by Ruby Huizen

ALTHOUGH MANY STUDENTS MAY FEEL that state decisions about rape laws and registration fees are out of their control, one UCSC student has made state legislation her business. Margaret Conway, a women's studies and biology major, has volunteered her spare time to the UCSC Student Lobby where she represents the Women's Desk.

Conway divides her time among several women's issues raised by the UC Lobby in Sacramento. "Historically there was no emphasis on women in the UC Lobby," says Conway. "The Women's Desk is only two years old." Women's issues have finally been given importance in the legislative process by the establishment of a formal Women's Desk. "Now we have a woman representative [in Sacramento]," says Conway, indicating that this is a step forward for the women in California.

"This year, the first day of the legislative conference in February will be devoted to women," says Conway, exemplifying a change of attitude towards women in legislation. "It will also be the first time we [everyone who attends] will be listening to women legislators."

Unfortunately, the organizers of the conference have made a mistake Conway plans to address. "They have separated women's issues and Third World issues" on the agenda, says Conway. "You shouldn't be doing that, because what happens to the Third World women? They have to make a choice between which workshops they will attend."

Aside from this, Conway says she looks forward to the conference where she will be brought up to date on current issues she may be lobbying for in the future. These issues include abortion rights, sexual discrimination, day care center budget increases, tenure for female instructors, rape laws, and oil severance taxes which "we support to get more money for education," Conway says.

One bill which Conway is presently researching "would authorize the exclusion of addresses and phone number of a rape victim from public access and would prohibit the use of psychiatric and psychological examination to assess the credibility of a witness or victim," says Conway, reading from a letter Sacramento had recently sent to her.

By contacting the three professional UC lobbyists in Sacramento, Conway knows which legislators may not support UCSC's point of view, and these legislators "will be targeted," says Conway.

In order to sway the legislators, Conway has to motivate UCSC students to write their representatives. She does this by informing various campus organizations, since "there is no central meeting place here. It is difficult to inform all the students.'

In an attempt to overcome UCSC's lack of intra-campus communication, "we co-spon-sored events like Political Action Week," says Conway. She explains it is very difficult to keep each college informed because there are no central college notice boards.

Similarly, Conway is concerned with the night shuttle because it is the only means by which students can safely attend meetings across campus if they do not have a car. "A lot of women don't go to meetings across campus because the shuttle is not adequate: it takes half an hour to get there," she says.

With communications as a prime problem, Conway has decided to organize a UCSC women's coalition. The first planning meeting was held in late January. Its aim is to allow women "to talk, and learn, and maybe decide on action," she says, adding that "women's issues are ignored. It's amazing. Women aren't coming together and talking."

The coalition will possibly help continue work done by women in the past "like getting lights put up. There used to be only main roads with lights, not the pathways," says Conway.

Unfortunately, Conway's hopes for a coalition have already been marred by a lack of interest at UCSC. Not only did some women's groups fail to attend the first coalition meeting, but money for the lobby is not easy to obtain. According to Conway, "[The Core Council, which allocates money] doesn't know what we do. They don't think we do anything."

Further lack of interest has been attributed by Conway to UCSC Chancellor Sinsheimer. Says Conway, "The chancellor set up the Sexual Harassment Committee that wrote the UCSC sexual harassment guidelines. Then the committee [resigned]. No one knows where to go for help. The Regents don't feel there is a need for a committee. They feel the guidelines are adequate. That's absurd. This is a systemwide problem."

> *You can tell by the bills that are passed that legislators are not receptive to women's issues.*

According to Conway, the problem also extends to the legislators the UCSC Lobby attempts to persuade. "You can tell by the bills that are passed that legislators are not receptive to women's issues," says Conway. In fact, the committees voting on the bills "are going backwards, and that's really scary. You're trying to further women's issues but you're really just fighting to keep women's rights," she says. "It's like fighting just to keep our place sometimes."

Nonetheless, Conway says measures are being taken to remedy the problem. "I've seen reports on all the different lobbies and the UC Lobby is very effective," she says. With such a reputation and feedback on women's issues, Conway hopes to increase her value as a UC lobbyist. She wants to institute such changes as the Student's Rights Package, "part of which supports women's studies program," says Conway.

"It educates legislators," she adds, explaining that the education of concerned parties is an important part of her job. "We're all waiting for the revolution," she says, "but, until then, it's important to ask what you can do to help women." ✓

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Peace Sign up

by Karen Watson

THE US INVASION OF GRENADA LAST OCTOber was swift and suprising, leaving Americans who opposed the action little time to organize and mount protests. Vowing not to be caught off guard again, some 50 UCSC faculty members have pledged to promote and participate in massive non-violent civil disobedience if the US invades any country in Central America.

The pledge stems from a petition currently being circulated by Barbara Epstein, UCSC associate professor of history, and Donna Haraway, UCSC women's studies coordinator and associate professor in history of consciousness. Addressed to President Reagan and Congress, the petition states that the undersigned are committed "to take part in and promote massive non-violent disobedience against any act of war" perpetrated against any country in Central America.

"Grenada had caught us by surprise," said Haraway. So during the months following the invasion of Grenada when a similar invasion of Nicaragua seemed imminent, she and Epstein looked for ways to quickly organize an appropriate response, if necessary.

Conversations between UC Berkeley and UCSC faculty members generated the idea of a petition, according to Epstein, who doesn't remember exactly who suggested it or when. She and Haraway began collecting signatures a few days before Christmas break.

"We were surprised at how readily people signed," said Haraway. "They did so without blinking an eye." She describes the circulating effort at that time as informal. "We asked people at board meetings, in the hallway, and in steno pools," she said. Most of the signatures collected so far have been from social sciences and humanities faculty at Kresge, Merrill, and Oakes colleges, but Epstein and Haraway hope that faculty at the other colleges will volunteer to help pass the petition around.

When asked what kind of non-violent civil disobedience might be considered, Epstein and Haraway were careful not to specify. "It would depend on the event," said Haraway, adding that a federal facility or military installation would probably be involved. "What is important is that we get out in the streets and make a show, so that our protests will be publicized," said Haraway.

Neither Epstein nor Haraway see any real problems with the UCSC administration in the event faculty members are arrested. "Certainly the untenured faculty members run the greatest risk of repercussions," said Epstein, adding that most of the petition's signatures belong to that group. "An untenured faculty member might be penalized for missing classes at a more conservative institution, but I don't think it would happen here," said Haraway, who has often attended demonstrations, but, unlike Epstein, has never been arrested for non-violent civil disobedience.

"I see my teaching as separate from my politics," said Langdon Winner, adjunct associate professor of politics and technology. He said that he was thinking of Kent State and the US invasion of Cambodia when he signed the petition. "I wanted to join with others who are willing to commit themselves to take a significant rather than a passive stand," Winner said.

Legal penalties for non-violent civil disobedience depend on the individual's action and the judge's discretion, according to Epstein, who was arrested in 1982 and 1983 for participating in blockades organized by the Livermore Action Group. "The first time, I received what amounted to a traffic ticket and fine; the second time, I spent one and a half weeks in jail, and was fined as well," said Epstein.

Non-violent civil disobedience, which includes blockades and invasion of government facilities, was chosen for its dramatic effect as an appropriate response to a US invasion. "It shows that we can't continue business as usual," said Winner. "Our whole society is involved in the conflict."

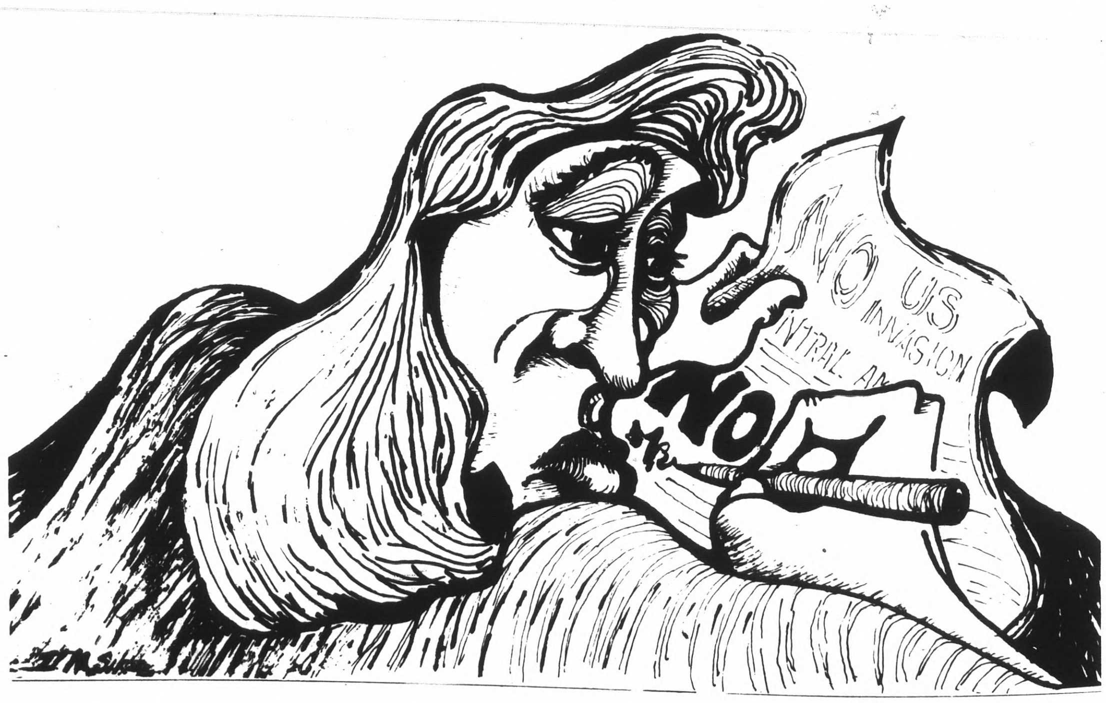
Hayden White, professor of history of consciousness, also signed the petition. "I would support any group that tried to stop this madness," said White. "I worry about my children and their lives."

Epstein and Haraway have specifically focused their organizing efforts towards UCSC faculty, since they believe that there is more support between people who work together and know one another. Said Haraway, "We're trying to establish an informal network, a way of organizing quickly to make decisions and act." The names on the petition will be organized into a telephone tree, according to Haraway. She urges other groups on campus, such as staff and students, to organize as well.

During last year's Christmas break, UC Berkeley faculty and community members circulated a petition almost identical to that at UCSC. They published it, along with 46 signatures (at least half of those faculty), near the end of January in the *Daily Californian*, according to Leon Wofsy, professor of immunology and microbiology at UC Berkeley. The effort at Berkeley was joint (including the community) and informal; signatures are still being collected. "If the situation flared up again, we'd probably gain more momentum," said Wofsy.

Although there are no current plans to launch a university-wide organizing effort, Epstein and Haraway might eventually consider doing so. "Right now, though, we'd like to focus on this campus," said Haraway, adding that signatures will be collected until the end of this quarter.

"This may prove to be unncessary," said Winner, "but it is better to anticipate and prepare to make one's views known publicly than grumble over morning coffee."



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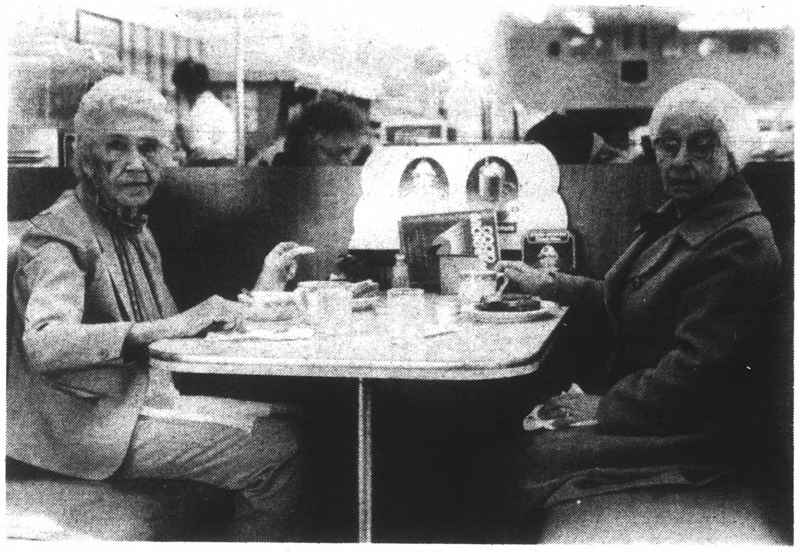

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Asking for Complaints

Allegations of police violence at last month's demonstration in front of Pacific Gas and Electric's downtown office have sparked a police department internal investigation on the matter. Chief of Police Jack Bassett filed a status report with the city council Tuesday concerning that investigation. The memorandum indicated that while the three officers in question have been informed of the allegations against them, the investigation is a personnel matter and can not be discussed publicly.

In his report, Chief Bassett said that the police are interested in meeting with other groups that want to practice nonviolent protest. The police, the report stated, are eager to meet prior to a demonstration to "coordinate the activities, set guidelines, and assist as much as possible."

The report also noted that although there has been much publicity concerning alleged police violence, no one has formally filed a citizen's complaint form. As a result, the police department is asking persons involved in the PG&E demonstration to provide input to the investigation. Persons with complaints are encouraged to contact the police department.

Too Many, Too Late

It appears that UCSC students were not the only ones who may have registered in the wrong precinct for last November's city council election. The Grand Jury which is investigating county voting irregularities has uncovered serious discrepancies in voter registration downtown. These discrepancies include "long lists of names" of people who registered at places of business where no living quarters exist.

Paul Bihler, head of the investigating committee, said that while upwards of 100 persons may have incorrectly registered downtown, he estimated that less than ten of them actually voted. He added, however, that "we have a lot more to check out." The Grand Jury's investigation, however, may be too late as the deadline for challenges to the city council election has passed.

Last December, the same Grand Jury found that 472 allegedly "illegal votes" were cast at UCSC precincts. This number was later reduced to 457, and Santa Cruz conservatives brought a lawsuit against newly-elected city councilmember Jane Weed and former councilmember Bruce Van Allen in an attempt to oust Weed. The trial is in its fifth week.

Not Mello

State Senator Henry Mello's bid for reelection next November will not go uncontested. Angered by his support for David Stirling, an Executive Counsel to the California Agricultural Labor Relations Board (ALRB), Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers (UFW) last week endorsed Peace and Freedom candidate Joseph H. Fahey for Mello's senate seat. Pacific Grove Republican Stephen R. Magyar will also be on the ballot.

The UFW supported Mello in his 1980 election, and was therefore surprised by his strong support for Stirling, whom they view as antilabor. They have accused Mello of knuckling under to big-money agricultural interests, and have filed a $100 million lawsuit against Stirling for his handling of ALRB cases.

The ALRB's role is to mediate disputes between agricultural labor and growers, and its founding was one of the UFW's big victories in the '60s. Deukmejian has cut the agency's budget by 27 percent. Big agricultural interests, incidentally, contributed about $1 million to the Duke's campaign purse.

Life With an R&D Center

A recent "Survey of Community Opinion" reveals that some Santa Cruz residents are concerned about the possible effects of an R&D Center on population growth, traffic, industrial pollution, and greenbelt laws in Santa Cruz.

The survey, along with a traffic assessment report, was recently released by the Environmental Assessment Group (EAG), which was hired by UCSC to prepare an Environmental Impact Report on the proposed R&D Center.

The traffic report was prepared to determine the impact an R&D Center would have on traffic levels in westside Santa Cruz. Acoording to the study, nearly all major westside intersections would experience unacceptable traffic conditions by 1993, unless an eastern road to campus is built.

Both reports are the latest additions to a growing collection of R&D Center studies which have been released by the EAG since fall of 1983. Copies of the reports are available in all campus and public libraries. ✓

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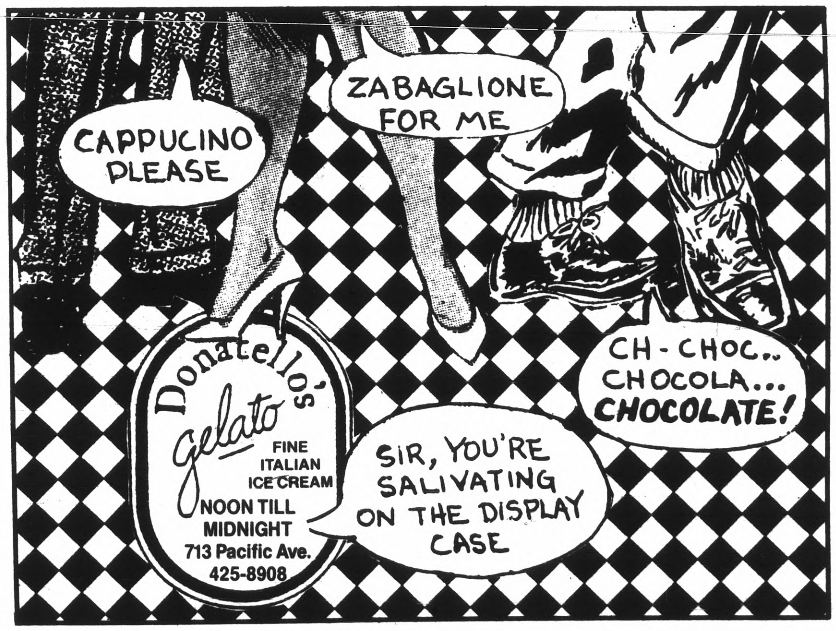

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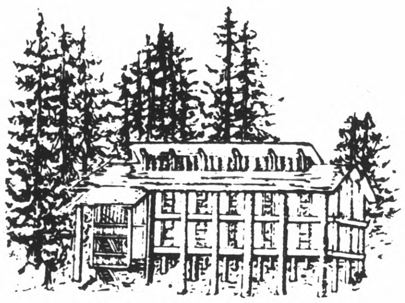

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Heading Off Lockheed

A handful of students gathered in the rain last Monday at the Career Planning and Placement (CPPC) and the Whole Earth Restaurant to protest the presence of two recruiters from the Lockheed Missile & Space Corporation.

According to one protester, Jason Schwartz, the group decided to "maintain a presence" at the CPPC to inform students who were going to meet the recruiters about the function of the Lockheed Corporation.

Another protester, Melina Silverston, said, "One guy went in because he wanted to work on space telescopes. It didn't occur to him that the research he does there can be used for other things." Silverston added that the group was also demonstrating to "make a statement that we don't like UC investing in Lockheed."

The demonstrators also distributed leaflets reminding people that Lockheed is developing the D-5 missile for the Trident submarine—and that the cost of the Trident program could provide health, housing, education, food, and water for the world's population for three and a half years.

Real (Estate) Experts

Chancellor Robert Sinsheimer's newly-created panel of local "experts," appointed to study the economic feasibility of the proposed Research and Development Center, has come under fire from some faculty members who question both the objectivity and purpose of the panel.

Literature professor Forrest Robinson described the group as "people who have in the past and continue to have in their interest [the] major expansion that the Research and Development Center represents." The panel consists of two real estate developers, two bank officials, two UCSC economics professors, a county official, and Cabrillo College President John Peterson.

Panel member and UCSC economist Ronald Grieson responded to Robinson's charges by saying, "Neither in the past, nor in the future, nor now, do I have any vested interest in expansion." Jack Baskin, a local developer who was one of the R&D Center's original proponents, said that he would "have no part in the [Research Center] development as a contractor."

Politics professor Gwendolyn Minks voiced concern that Sinsheimer's panel may undermine an Academic Senate committee which will also be studying the financial feasibility of the R&D Center.

Sinsheimer formed the panel in response to a faculty committee which reported that the university's original financial projections were wrong. The committee claimed that because the university had failed to consider inflation, its estimates of profit return could be off by as much as $10 million.

The Draft Gets Colder

Recently, a measure resembling the 1982 Solomon Amendment was introduced into the California State Assembly.

The Solomon Amendment requires that males 18 or older be registered for the draft in order to qualify for federally-funded aid. Similarly, Measure AB 2570 would prohibit the California Student Aid Commission, or any other public or private post-secondary institution, from granting financial aid to any male student who has not complied with the provisions of the Military Selective Services Act. It appears to be backed by the entire Republican caucus, as well as by some Democrats.

According to UCSC Student Body Representative Michael Ross, the best chance of halting AB 2570 would be in the Assembly's Educational Committee, through which the measure will pass in few weeks.

If AB 2570 passes, students receiving Cal Grants A, B, or C, CSAC Graduate Fellowships, or any other state financial aid, could expect delays of their checks due to the bureaucratic process of cross-checking—or no checks at all if they haven't filled out a draft compliance form.

The President is Coming

UC President David Gardner is coming to town next week. During his visit on Wednesday and Thursday, February 22-23, Gardner will meet with staff, faculty, students, and community members. Although he will only meet with 20 students because of time constraints, any students interested in relaying messages to him should contact their college councils to find out who their college representative will be at the meeting. ✓

EDITORIAL

Another Missed Opportunity

OBSESSED WITH BOLSTERING THE SAGGING MACHISMO OF THE United States, our saber-rattling president has turned his back once again on the opportunity to ease international tensions. In refusing to personally attend the funeral of deceased Soviet leader Yuri Andropov, Reagan took another step on his path of hostility to the Soviet Union.

The path so far has been marked by vituperative accusations, following the loss of the Korean airliner, and also by the abandonment of both strategic and short-range arms limitation talks, and the deployment of tactical weapons in Europe. Reagan was conspicuously absent Tuesday in Moscow from a group of visiting dignitaries which included Thatcher, Kohl, and Vice Premier Wan Li, the highest official from China to visit the Soviet Union in 20 years. But our chief executive wanted to make sure he did nothing that could be interpreted as a conciliatory gesture. President Reagan is determined to sit tall in the saddle as he rides into the sunset—the sunset, perhaps, of life on this planet.

LETTERS *to the* STAFF

France Flak

Dear Staff:

After *l'Attaque du Big Mac,*

...the croissant strikes back!

YOU like Gerard Depardieu, our bread, our cheese, our Renaults...

YOUR language is corrupted by such words as *naive, bizarre, vis a vis, apropos...*

YOU wear Adidas and kiss the "French" way...

Should I conclude that France's "influence has permeated every aspect of American life?"

No, all our music is not a "pale imitation" of yours, and yes, we have good writers and philosophers in France.

Our culture is fine. What about yours?

The fact that you don't know what's going on there and that most American youths are unable correctly to locate France on a world map doesn't mean that nothing happens there and that France is no longer important but rather that your educational system is a little bit weak.

Anyway, I won't argue. I forgive you. I know that you have trouble finding admirers to help you convince yourselves that you are the best...Good luck!

Oh! I wanted to ask something. You write that there is an "unconscious desire throughout the world to imitate the habits and attitudes which seem intrinsic to the political and economic success of the United States." I hope you are kidding!?

Sincerely,
Anne-Marie Toix
Merrill College

What's the Point

Dear Staff:

Phi Beta Kappa? Aren't they one of those strange, elitist cults? You know—the ones that brainwash their members into believing that they are the Chosen People, and then send these innocent souls out to convince everyone else of the same?

Here? Why? What the hell is the point?

Very sincerely,
Cheryl L. Shanks
Stevenson Alumna

Lost Faith

Dear Staff:

Chancellor Sinsheimer's insistence upon a Research and Development Center on the UCSC campus indicates nothing less than a tremendous loss of faith in the educational ideals of this campus.

While the R&D proposal is a relatively new idea for this administration, the idea of placing a strong emphasis upon science at the expense of more "liberal art" programs is not. For example, it was not so long ago that this campus had a thriving environmental studies program. In the last few years we have watched that program disintegrate. Gerald Bowden, Craig Schindler, Hal Levin and Dudley Burton have all left for one reason or another. It looks as though James Pepper is considering a permanent absence. The loss of this highly qualified team has an incalculable impact upon this campus. In their place is a highly qualified team of people teaching environmental *science.*

What, we may ask, is the chancellor's new vision for this campus? At this point it appears to be an ill-defined and shallow as his disastrous plans for an R&D facility. A more inept plan would be hard to imagine. It seems Mr. Sinsheimer is convinced that this is a second-rate campus in need of change. I fear that may become a self-fulfilling prophesy.

When this campus was formed almost twenty years ago there were those who had a vision that allowed this institution to flourish. It is testimony to that ideal that its sheer inertia carries resistance to the chancellor's doorstep. It is a vision which provides for meaningful diversity and unique vitality.

The chancellor and his administration have lost faith in that vision. To the degree that they implant a predominant technological vision—be it environmental *science* or industrial development—at the expense of a more "liberal" education, we witness a loss of diversity and life choice.

It is not ironic that Clark Kerr, when speaking at the annual meeting of the Association Colleges last month, declared liberal arts "a disaster area of American higher education."

Sincerely,
Martin L. Carver

One of Them

Dear Staff:

Regarding the letter last week by Roger Grigsby concerning "equal rights:" Grigsby pulls out the same kind of rhetorical garbage that has been used

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by white men in America ever since they first started killing Indians.

Under the assumption that all people are created equal, our job in a democracy is to devise a social/economic/legal system which ensures equal distribution of power among all ethnic groups, in proportion, of course, to their numbers. We also have to make sure that no groups or individuals are deprived of certain fundamental rights, as defined by the constitution. The measure of whether our system is successful or not is the extent to which the resulting reality is consistent with the goal. If it is not, we have to reform the system. To say that the reason that almost all of the people in positions of real power in this country are white males over 40 is because they are "more successful in competition" is truly racist. It implies that the underepresented groups are either 'lazy" or simply unable to acquire skills of leadership.

Our social/economic/legal system has institutionalized advantages for those belonging to the dominant culture. Roger Grigsby is undoubtedly one of *them*.

Sincerely,
Eric Brussel
UCSC

Thanks Doc

Dear Staff:

First I would like to thank Leo Laporte for his positive comments on the booklet "Resources Against Sexual Assault." I must, however, take issue with his comments against the analysis of the causes of sexual assault I offer on page seven of the booklet.

It is unclear whether Professor Laporte is objecting to the particular discussion of the root causes of sexual assault or the idea that *any* analysis of causes should be offered. Without some kind of analysis it is difficult to develop an appropriate strategy for public education or individual self-defense.

For too long now, society has offered an implicit and widely held analysis that rape is essentially "caused by" the victim—her dress, her behavior, etc., and that it is essentially a crime of "sexual passion" excited by the victim. In my years of study focused on the particular issue of rape, I have learned that although rape involves what we have usually defined as "sexual behavior," it is in the vast majority of cases an act of violence, rage, etc., against a person perceived to be a weak and appropriate target. It is a form of male behavior that is reinforced by and reinforces in turn all the forms of sexism I mentioned on page seven and a lot more I chose not to elaborate upon in a brief treatment of the subject.

If anything we need more, not less, in-depth analyses of a phenomenon that will directly affect one of three women in this country who will be raped during their lifetime, and indirectly force the rest of us to live under varying degrees of fear all of our lives.

The concrete and demonstrably successful suggestions offered throughout the booklet have only been developed as a result of the complex social analyses so briefly outlined on page seven. I was tempted to be personally insulted by the assumption that the analysis offered on page seven is merely my "political philosophy" or "opinion." It represents, in fact, a growing concensus of researchers and practitioners in the field, and instead of being personally insulted/outraged etc., I'll just thank Dr. Laporte for offering me this small opportunity to further educate the UCSC community on this vital issue.

Gillian Greensite

Party Pooper

Dear Staff:

Can someone please tell me why McHenry Library is closed Friday and Saturday nights? I'm a classic party pooper and it is incredibly frustrating...maddening that there is nowhere quiet to study on campus on weekend nights. I know the college libraries are open, but there are usually parties with loud bands, or blaring stereos echoing from the dorms. Weekend nights are important study time for me and I think it it's demented that the main library is closed. Isn't UCSC a school? Isn't studying a great part of why we are here?

Please, Mr. Chancellor, you're a man of good intentions, CAN YOU PLEASE...OPEN THE LIBRARY?

unsigned

Thanks

Dear Staff:

I want to thank your paper for the article on our campus police department. I was flattered by the remarks of Chief Gene Stone about my work.

I want the readers to know that I happened to be the officer working when the writer came in for an interview with an officer. I feel certain that if it were any other staff member, officer, parking enforcement officer, or the kiosk guard, the chief's response would have been the same.

It is a privilege working here at Santa Cruz with all the exceptional staff.

Sincerely,
Officer Jack Churchill

Punish the Devious

Dear Staff:

A few hours spent in Judge Bauer's court hearing student testimony on voting is instructive indeed. Student housing is often uncertain. Returning to Santa Cruz in September from homes across the country, several hundred students registered to vote on campus. Many had never voted any other place.

The Election Code defines "domicile" as the "place of legal residence." For students, people in the military, business travelers and those with several abodes, this is a necessity if they are not to be disenfranchised. The only fixed address the students had was the campus. Many registered and voted there.

The grand jury, by some flight of fancy—or design—put the wrong parties on trial. The *Sentinel* (7-27-83) reported that Tim Morgan and SC ALERT was spending thousands of dollars on a political poll, but calling it "educational" to avoid the state law and city ordinance which set spending limits. Morgan indicated he did this intentionally. He added that the information gleaned "would be up for sale at fair market value—to certain select people." HOW PERFECTLY COZY! Maybe Judge Bauer should dismiss the student hearings and put the real miscreants on trial. Let's punish the devious and not the innocent.

Jack W. Hillis
Chair
Gray Panthers of Santa Cruz

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Theses and Terror

As spring approaches, many a senior's fancy turns to thesis writing, and their knees turn to jelly. Some get evasive: "I'm, uh, doing research this quarter, and then writing it all next quarter after my thoughts are organized." Others retreat into fantasy: "My housemate's a grad student, I could turn in one of his old papers. Then I'd just have to convince my thesis advisor that I wrote a 40-page paper over the weekend and switched topics from 'Ayn Rand and Objectivism' to 'Why Hegel Isn't an Ecologist.' "

Seniors, relax.

While your work may not eclipse David Brodsly's Mod Soc thesis, *LA Freeway,* published by the the University of California Press in 1981, you're probably in better shape than the poor lower-division student found in McHenry's microfilm room last spring, sequentially reading through entire rolls of LA *Times* microfilm. He was researching the McCarron Bill, and the entire grey-flannel decade of the fifties rolled through the microfilm viewer, page by ad-choked page. "I've been here for five hours and I haven't found *anything,*" said the academically unaware youngster. "I know it's in here *somewhere.*" Well, this school was never famed for its researchers.

Theatrics

Ancient Rome gets a vaudeville-like working over in the Stevenson Theater Guild's production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum,* opening Friday, February 17, at the Stevenson Dining Hall. Songs for this 20-year-old musical were written by Stephen Sondheim, the Randy Newman of Broadway. Showtimes are 8pm, Friday through Sunday, through March 8. Admission is $5 general admission and $3 for students and seniors.

Bear Republic Theater's production of *Female Transport* continues at the Arts Center Theater. I hear that a strong cast is the best feature of this story of six women convicts en route from Australia to England. Showtimes are 8pm Thursday through Sunday. Tickets cost $8 general and $6 low-income Friday and Saturday, $7 general and $5 low-income Thursday and Sunday. Advance tickets are on sale at Cymbaline Records and the Civic Box Office.

UB40 will reggae into the Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium, Feb. 21st at 8.

On the Wall

Paintings and graphics by Kathryn Metz go on display Sunday, Feb. 19 at the Porter Sesnon Gallery, Porter. Metz, an associate professor of art, has taught at UCSC since 1972. Her work on display in the Sesnon exhibit was influenced by a series of visits to Tuscany in Central Italy. Gallery hours are 11am to 5pm, Tues.-Sun.

Ceramics by Al Johnsen and his students are on display at the Eloise Pickard Smith Gallery, Cowell College. Gallery hours are 11-5, Tues.-Sun. Call 429-2953 for details.

Josh Karliner's Central American photographs are on the walls at the Stevenson Coffee Shop.

·Paintings from the Pacific Northwest by Morris Graves hang at the Art Museum of Santa Cruz County, 224 Church St. Tuesday-Sunday, 12-6.

Macpaint

Apple Computers' Macintosh is the microcomputer of the moment and the new machine's wizardly software designer, Andy Hertzfeld, will be on hand at the fourth annual Festival of Computer Art and Software Aesthetics at Kresge College Town Hall Saturday, Feb. 18, 1-7pm. Admission is free. He'll have a few Mac's in tow to demonstrate MACPAINT, Apple's hot new high-resolution graphics system, which produces high-quality black & white illustrations.

A new computerized airbrush machine will also be demonstrated at the festival. You supply the (x,y) coordinates and color scheme; the machine does the rest. The machine's creator, Steve Zins, is trying to set-up a Computer Graphics Co-op; interested parties can meet Steve at the fair.

David Osten will conduct a panel discussion on "software aesthetics;" state-of-the-art animation from SIGGRAPH, the international computer graphics conference, will be displayed on a projection-screen TV. The festival ends with a slide-show of computer-aided digital Valentines. This graphics gathering attempts to meld ecotopian cooperation with high technology. Festival director Howard Pearlmutter hopes to promote "the value of caring when we craft a new technology."

X Hits the Spot

X MAY BE IN ON A MAJOR record label now, but if last Tuesday's show at the Catalyst is any indication, their only concession to commercialism was learning to play their instruments. LA's best hope for Rock'n Roll salvation tightened up their sound considerably since their late '70s semi-random thrash days, particularly on newer tunes like "Blue Spark." Guitarist Billy Zoom's rockabilly riffs used to carry the band, but with the improvement of DJ Bonebrake's drumming and John Doe's basswork, they now function as a ruggedly precise musical unit.

Lead Singer Exene Cervenka's defiant devil-doll demeanor remains the most engaging in new music. Looking decrepitly attractive in jeans, football jersey, and rat's nest hairdoo, she danced with herself, stood on one leg flamingo-style, and shrieked and croaked her lungs out. At one point she dipped the microphone into the crowd for a boisterous sing-along of their anthem "We're Desperate." I couldn't help imagining the post-punk couples in the crowd 20 years from now hearing the song on the radio, "Last Night Everything Broke," and saying to one another, "listen dear, they're playing our song."

Although X sometimes sounded like Eddie Cochran, Howling Wolf, and Patsy Cline, they make their own distinctly unheard music; they may be the best band in America today. If the rest of the new world doesn't catch on, next year they'll be back at the Cat.

—*Gene Pithy*

Exene X-cites under the big black sun.

Photo by NANCIANNE COYNE

CALEND

Thursday 16

☐movies

Alien. 8 & 10:15pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, $1.50 Stevenson students and seniors, $2 general.

☐lectures

Cowell Culture Break: College Night, "The Use of Computers in Video Animation and Graphics," a lecture/video presentation by Jim Murphy, Visiting CIS professor. Dinner 6pm, entertainment 6:45, Cowell Dining Hall, $5.60 door; off-campus $2 at SAO, entertainment free.

Liberation Series: Betina Aptheker on "The Current Status of the Worldwide Women's Movement." Followed by dessert buffet. 7pm, La Bahia Cafe, Merrill College. Buffet: $2, lecture free.

"Painting Memories: The Containment of the Past in Baudelaire and Manet," a lecture by Michael Fried, Director, Humanities Center, John Hopkins University, 7:30pm, Oakes 105.

☐meetings

Chinquapin's staff meetings; anyone interested in becoming part of the staff is welcome to attend. 7pm, Cowell 135.

Conservative and Moderate Political Union of Students Official meeting. 7pm Cowell 223.

The German Kollektiv is the first German Club of the UCSC campus. Come to our first meeting, speak German, and help us plan future exciting events. 7pm, Baobab Lounge.

Regular business meeting for the *TWANAS* press collective. We discuss production and editorial issues and develop ideas for the future. All are welcome. 7pm, Merrill Rm. 3

Anyone interested in the First Third World Conference at UC Davis is encouraged to come to our organizational meeting. 7:30pm, Charles Merrill Lounge.

☐miscellaneous

Israeli dancing and instruction. 7:30pm, East Field Dance Studio.

Bible studies that offer a different perspective on life by examining the meaning and value of a relationship with God. 8pm, University Religious Center.

Friday 17

☐movies

"El Salvador: Revolution or Death," one of the most important political documentaries to come out of El Salvador. 8pm, Merrill Dining Hall, free.

☐theater

A theatrical presentation of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, 8pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, students/seniors $3; general $5.

☐lectures

Ian Hacking, philosophy and history of science, Univ. of Toronto, on "Why Social Sciences are Historical and Natural Sciences are Not." 3pm, Kresge 159.

☐sports

Women's Tennis: UCSC v. Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo (Div. 2). 2pm, East Tennis Courts.

☐miscellaneous

GALA Women's Rap Group, 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. All are welcome. Talk with friends! 7pm, Stevenson 237A.

Free tape dance with great danceable music. 9pm, Crown Dining Hall.

Saturday 18

☐movies

Caine Mutiny, 8pm, Classroom Unit 2, $2.

☐theater

A theatrical presentation of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, 8pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, students/seniors $3, general $5.

☐concerts

Crown Chamber Players performing works by Mozart, Brahms and Dohnanyi. Guest artists: Paul Hersh, James Schoepflin, William Klinglehofer, David Abel, Laszlo Vargo and Sylvia Jenkins. 8pm, Crown Dining Hall, free.

Classical pianist Leon Bates comes to UCSC from tour of Canada, Europe and Africa. 8pm, Performing Arts Concert Hall, $3.50 students and seniors, $6 general.

☐sports

Sabre Tournament. Test your sabre skills in a friendly competitive atmosphere. 9am, East Gym.

☐miscellaneous

Graphics Gathering—Digital Valentine's Day Party—share your computer graphics, video displays, demonstrations. 1-7pm. Kresge Town Hall.

Aerobics at Merrill. Dance your pounds away. Men and women are welcome. Bring towel and sneakers. 10:15am, Baobab Lounge, $1.

Viennese Waltz/Scholarship Fund Raiser. Live Viennese concert, waltzing, sampling of pastries to raise money for Affiliates Scholarships for UCSC freshpersons from local high schools. 8pm, Cowell Dining Hall, $12.50.

Sunday 19

☐movies

Quest for Fire, 7pm, with *All That Jazz*, 9pm, Kresge Town Hall, $2.

☐theater

A theatrical presentation of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, 8pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, students/seniors $3; general $5.

☐meetings

Chinquapin's staff meetings, anyone interested in becoming part of the staff is welcome to attend. 7pm, Cowell 135.

☐sports

Cycling Club rides every Sun. morning, 9am, Town Clock.

☐miscellaneous

Opening reception of exhibition of paintings and graphics by Kathryn Metz, associate professor of art at UCSC and founder of the Metz Art Gallery in Kerr Hall. 4-6pm, Porter Sesnon Gallery, Porter College.

Monday 20

☐meetings

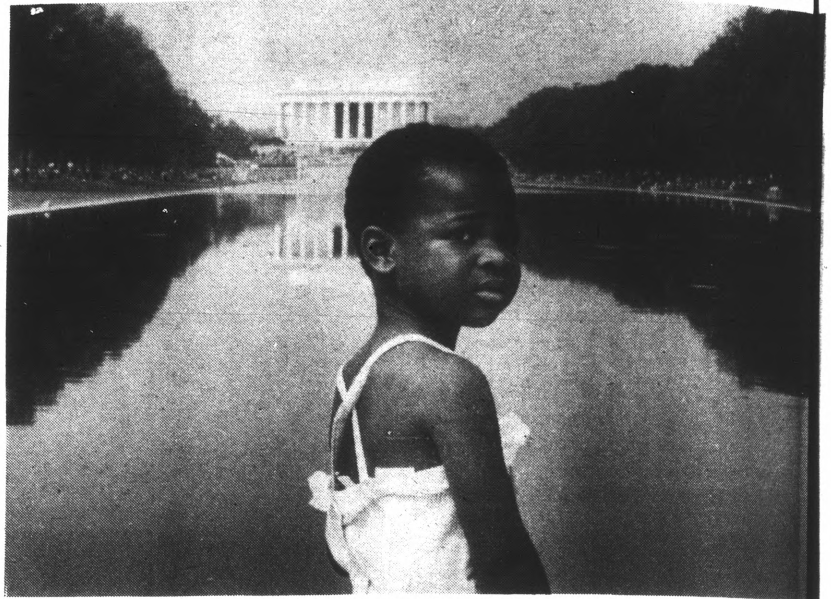
Large group meeting, Inter-varsity Christian Fellowship. 6:45pm, Classroom Unit I.

The Merrill Student Council seeks student input and ideas on budget requests, activities for the quarter and other issues relevant to the Merrill community. Meetings are open to all. 7:30pm, Baobab Lounge.

Ongoing strategy meetings concerning student response to Industrial R&D complex proposal. All interested are welcome. 7:30pm, Kerr 247.

☐miscellaneous

Help uphold the election of Jane Weed to the city council. Attend President's Day Benefit Dinner in support of "The Right to Vote Committee." Pasta, salad, garlic bread and beverage at UCSC's Whole Earth Restaurant, UCSC, $4-$6, sliding scale.



Martin Luther King 20 Anniversary Commemorative: photographs by Claudia Bourne Alonzo on exhibit at Porter Dining Hall Gallery February 17-22. The Gallery is open 11am-8pm daily.

Asian American Studies teacher speaking about herbs and martial arts. Lecture and demonstration, all day with breaks. 10am, Crown/Merrill Rec Room.

A time for staff to begin the day and week by "getting it all together" through quiet time, sharing, exercise and spiritual direction. Co-facilitators Darrell Yeaney and Ray Charland. 12pm, Health Center Lounge.

Men's Group. Will explore the issues and concerns we share as men, including role expectations, intimacy, how we relate to women and each other. Mondays. Call x2628 for more info. 3:30pm, Porter A-Dorm, Room 230.

Tuesday 21

☐movies

Wild Child, Stevenson Core movie. 7:30pm, Stevenson Dining Hall.

Storm Over Asia (Pudovkin, 1928). Part of the Silents Please! series. 7:30pm, Thimann 3, $2.

☐lectures

Robert Allen, head of the Ethnic Studies Department at Mills College, speaks on "The Port Chicago 'Nuclear' Disaster and Its Aftermath," a 1944 incident in which 200 black sailors died in an explosion at a USN base. 4pm, Stevenson Fireside Lounge.

Research Organic Chemistry Seminar: Dr. Ihsan Erden, professor of chemistry, San Francisco State University, on "Recent Advances in Cycloaddition Reactions," 4:15pm, Thimann 397.

Professor Norman O. Brown speaks on "Shi'ite Islam: The Politics of Gnosticism," 7pm, Oakes 105.

Liberation Series: Dilip Basu talks about the latest turns in China, 7pm, La Bahia Cafe, Merrill College.

Cowell Culture Break: "FBI/ACLU: Issues of Government Surveillence and Civil Liberties" A presentation/discussion with Raymond Mislock, Jr., FBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge, San Francisco; and a representative from the local ACLU. 8pm, Page Smith Library, Cowell.

☐meetings

Women in Science meeting. 4pm, Baobab Lounge.

Hebrew Discussion Group. Every Tues., 7:30pm, Stevenson 237A.

It's not a contradiction to be gay and believe in God. Listen to some other perspectives on religion. 8pm, Stevenson Fireside Lounge.

☐sports

Women's Racquetball Tournament. All levels, women only. 6pm, East Racquetball Courts. $1 ball fee.

☐miscellaneous

A personal safety class for staff women. Instructors Jan Tepper, University Police Officer & Gillian Greensite, UCSC Rape Prevention Education Program Coordinator. Attendance to all four sessions is expected. 11:25am, East Field Activities Building. Total class fee $5, fee subsidy available, call Connie x.2017.

Women's Group—Feminism and Theology—exploring spirituality, empowerment and other issues. Call 426-6242 for more info. Tuesdays at noon, Cowell Commuter Lounge.

Workshop on resume writing, job search and interviewing techniques. 12pm, Cowell A Frame.

Introduction to CMS class. 3:15pm, commuter center.

General Counseling Group. For students who want to neutralize perceived barriers to the attainment of their goals. Call x2628 for more info. 4:30pm, Charles Merrill Lounge.

Native Animal Rescue. A class in wildlife, first aid and care, featuring a slideshow. Call 462-0726 for more info. 7pm, SF Federal Savings.

Aerobics at Merrill. See Feb 18 for details. 7:15pm, Baobab Lounge.

Wednesday 22

☐movies

Saints and Spirits and *A Veiled Revolution*. Films deal with women in Middle Eastern cultures. Part of Cross Cultural Film Series. 7:30, Merrill 102.

Cowell Culture Break: *The Confession*, a Costa-Gavras film about interrogation and power. 8pm, Cowell Dining Hall.

☐concerts

Marian Marsh, soprano, part of Wednesday Evening Series faculty recitals. 8pm, Performing Arts Concert Hall. $3 general, $1 students and seniors.

☐lectures

Diane Lewis' lecture on female crime has been cancelled.

C.R. O'Dell, Rice University. "(O II) Studies of Extragalactic H II Complexes" Astronomy and Astrophysics Colloquia. 3:45pm, NatSci II, Room 221.

Spartacus Youth League sponsors George Foster, followed by discussion. 7pm, Oakes 105.

☐meetings

Merrill students interested in planning this year's graduation program are invited to meet: 7pm, Merrill 134.

University Council weekly meeting. 7pm, McHenry 325.

☐sports

Women's Tennis: UCSC vs. Menlo Jr. College. 2pm, East Tennis Courts.

Men's Volleyball vs. Berkeley. 7:30pm, West Gym.

☐miscellaneous

Inductive Bible Study in Acts. All people welcome. 7pm, Kresge 325.

Catholic students on campus meet for fellowship, scripture studies, masses, social, peace, and justice activities. 7:30pm, Charles Merrill Lounge.

Bible Study: Singing, fellowship and studying the Book of Acts. 7:30pm, Baobab Lounge.

Thursday 23

☐movies

Young Frankenstein. 8 and 10:15pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, $1.50 Stevenson students and seniors, $2 general.

☐lectures

Barry Honig, professor from Colombia University Medical School: "Energy Storage and Conversion in Biological Membranes." 1:30pm, Thimann 397.

A Major Decision: Politics? An opportunity to talk with faculty, current and graduated students about the major, the faculty, and prospects after graduation. 3:30pm, Stevenson Fireside Lounge.

Kathleen Dickey, UCSC Marine Science, "Light Stress of Development of Marine Algae." 4pm, Thimann 397.

Paul Lubeck speaks on "Contemporary Africa: Liberation Movements in Crisis." Preceded by West African Dinner. 7pm, La Bahia Cafe, Merrill College. Dinner $2.50, lecture free.

☐meetings

Chinquapin's staff meetings. Anyone interested in joining the staff is welcome. 7pm, Cowell 135.

Conservative and Moderate Political Union of Students official meeting. All are welcome. 7pm, Cowell 223.

Regular business meeting for *TWANAS* press collective. Will discuss production and editorial issues and develop ideas for future. 7pm, Merrill Room 3.

Asian Pacific Student Union statewide conference orientation. 7:30pm, Charles Merrill Lounge.

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Cowell Culture Break, Lecture/Demonstration by Tandy Beal. Dinner at 6pm, entertainment 6:45. Cowell Dining Hall, $5.60 at door, $2 at Cowell SAO for Cowell off-campus people.

Auditions for production of Europides' *Bacchae*. Interested actors, dancers, musicians and production techniques are invited to audition. Sign-ups and more information are outside Cowell Activities Office, next to Coffeeshop. 9pm to midnight, Cowell Dining Hall.

The Spiral Journey: a workshop on personal and spiritual growth with attention focused on psychological, spiritual and social dynamics of personal growth. 8:30pm, Cowell Health Center.

Personal Safety Class for Staff Women. See Feb. 21 for details. 11:25am, East Field Activities Building.

Introduction to CMS class. 3:15pm, Computer Center.

Psychotherapy group. Do you want to learn more about relationships in a group setting? Call x2628 for more info., 3:15 every Thursday, Cowell Health Center Conference.

Women's group. In many women's lives there comes a time when it is important to share with other women. This group will provide this opportunity. Call x2628 for more info. 3:30pm, Counseling Group Room, Health Ctr.

Israeli Dancing and Instruction. 7:30pm, East Field Dance Studio.

Discussion of current situation in Nicaragua with Magda Enriqez, Nicaraguan government official. 7:30pm, Oakes 105.

Bible studies examining the meaning and value of a relationship with God. 8pm, University Religious Center.

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I. **Silkwood** 6:45, 9:15; weekend mats. at 1:45, 4:15.
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Cross Creek 7, 11. **Missing** 9; Sun. mat. at 2:30.

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I. **Star 80** 2, 5:45, 9:30 with **Reckless** 4, 7:45.
II. **Lassiter** 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45.
III. **The Right Stuff** 1, 4:30, 8:15, 5:50, 8, 10:10.
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Erotic Film Festival Fri.-Sat. at 11pm.

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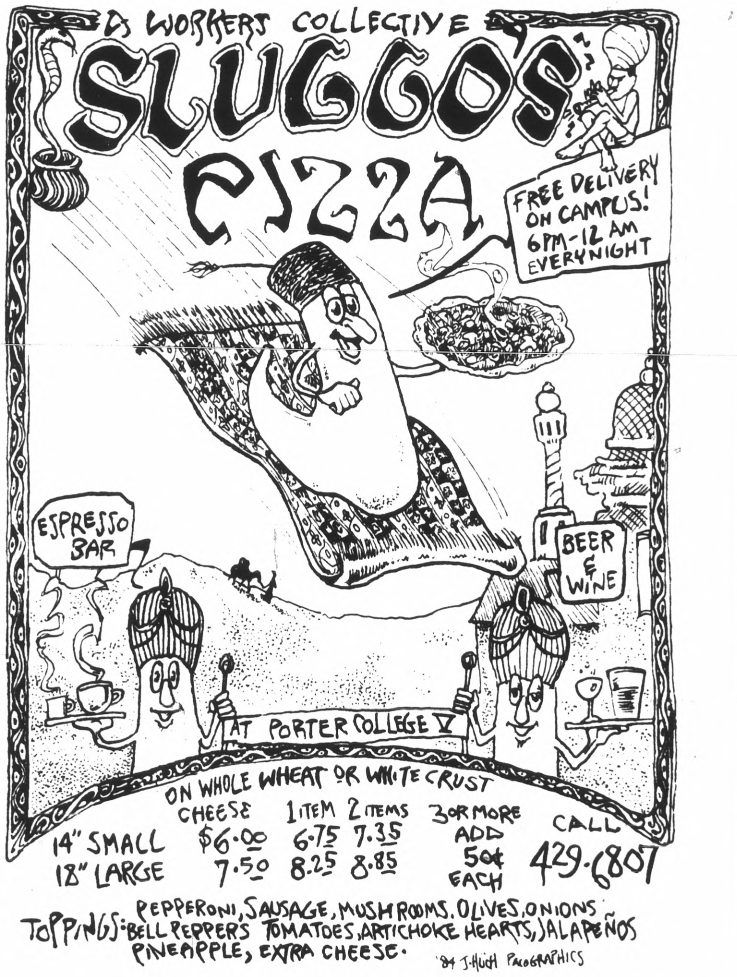
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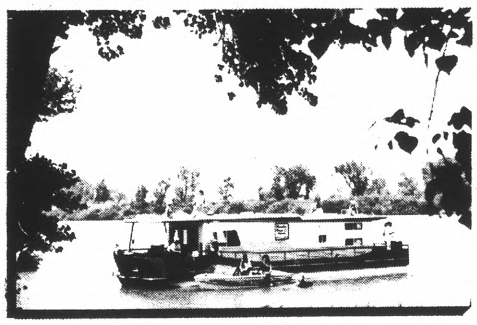

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ANALYSIS

Western Influence in Lebanon

The Roots of Rebellion

by Joost R. Hiltermann

> *"It's ironic to use the epithets 'fanatics' and 'terrorists' for people struggling to regain control over their own affairs in the face of foreign occupation of their territory."*

EIGHTEEN MONTHS IT LASTED. FOR EIGHTEEN months, US policymakers, with tunnel vision, ploughed their way through the mounting problems in Lebanon, wrought in part with their own hands, toward a solution they claimed would serve Lebanese society as a whole.

For eighteen months, President Reagan's support of a minority regime in Lebanon spurred an escalation of tensions and frustrations, often erupting into military exchanges between Druze forces in the Shouf mountains and US ships anchored in the Mediterranean Sea off the Lebanese coast. Now, after eighteen months of "constitutional government" under the Phalangists led by Amin Gemayel, the Lebanese powder keg has exploded into all-out warfare between the different contestants, shattering an uneasy truce and causing the deaths of hundreds of Lebanese civilians.

The tragedy of the war in Lebanon, and US participation in this war, is that so many people have been forced to suffer and die for so little reason. If only the Lebanese conflict could have remained an *internal* Lebanese conflict. But the continued interference of Western powers in the affairs of Lebanon has:

- transformed a national Lebanese problem into a major international conflict;
- drawn a political and economic struggle in Lebanon along confessional lines, giving the conflict the false appearance of a battle between different religions, rather than one between political parties or socio-economic classes;
- brought out the extremes in all contestants through the uncompromising support of one contestant, including the supplying of inappropriately massive and destructive weaponry;
- undermined the willingness on the part of all contestants to be flexible in negotiations and to aim for accomodation, leading to violent solutions in which all parties are forced to react with violence.

In a nutshell, the tragedy of Lebanon today is the result of a combination of factors, with external influences aggravating internal imbalances. At the time of Lebanon's independence from French colonial control in 1943, the French facilitated the establishment of a regime in Lebanon that would continue to protect Western economic and strategic interests in the region. This arbitrary act was rationalized by the creation of a covenant that was foisted upon the different ethnic groups in Lebanese society and which allowed for an allocation of power to these groups in proportion to their physical size. This arrangement consequently apportioned the most power to the Maronite Christians, then avowedly the single largest group in Lebanon, and divided the rest between the various Muslim groups in declining degree: to the Sunnis, the Shi'ites, and to the Druze; and to the other Christians.

Not only did this act introduce cleavages along confessional lines in Lebanese society, it also based its population estimates on the most "recent" census available, the rather crusty census of 1932. Significantly, no new census has been carried out between 1943 and today. Yet it is an open secret in Lebanon that demographic changes since 1943 have shifted the population balance decisively in favor of the Muslims, who now constitute a majority in Lebanese society.

The Lebanese Shi'a Muslims' share of political power, however, did not increase in proportion to their growth. In fact, the continuing hold on power by the alliance of Christian Maronites and Sunni Muslims, paired with the higher rate of population growth among Shi'a Muslims, has led to an increasing disenfranchisement of the Shi'ites. For Lebanon's ruling groups to hold a new census now would mean having to face the prospect of legitimate claims by the Shi'ites for a greater share in decision-making.

This growing imbalance in power would not have created the situation we observe today if Lebanon's ruling groups had compensated for their disproportionate share of power by providing sufficient services and employment to the subordinate groups in Lebanese society. But the West's interest in Lebanon as a financial and trading center has reinforced a service economy that tends to neglect agriculture, the occupation of the majority of the population. Poverty and overpopulation on the land has driven a great part of the peasantry to the urban areas, especially Beirut. Most of these people, who found shelter in camps if they could not afford housing in town, were Shi'a Muslims.

Politically disenfranchised and economically deprived, the Shi'ites' only possibility for an improvement in their conditions lay in an alliance with other political "untouchables" in Lebanon: the Druze and the Palestinians. Hence the creation of the National Salvation Front, which incorporates all anti-Phalangist forces in Lebanese society, including progressive Christians who oppose Phalangist rule.

THE ISRAELI INVASION OF LEBANON IN 1982 not only sought to destroy the Palestinian movement politically and militarily, it also, and most importantly, aimed to prop up Phalangist rule that had come under increasingly heavy fire from the progressives in Lebanon in the 1970s. Israel suppressed the nationalist aspirations of the Lebanese people by forcefully assisting in the creation of the Phalangist minority govenment of Amin Gemayel, thus "securing" its geopolitical interests in the region: a friendly, or at least neutral, Lebanon on Israel's northern border.

Amin Gemayel must consequently be seen as a quisling (imposed by the Western powers, the US and Israel), who is betraying the Lebanese cause for national independence and sovereignty by placing Western interests, embodied in the Phalangist Party, before the interests of the vast majority of the Labanese population.

This is not the picture we get, however, when we tune in to the mainstream press in the US. The American troops in Lebanon are portrayed as peacekeepers attempting to separate "eternally feuding" factions in Lebanon. Gemayel's regime is argued to be a legitimate constitutional government serving the interests of the majority of the Lebanese. The Phalangists' opponents are portrayed as "Muslim fanatics" and "terrorists" who are using violence to topple a legitimate government.

But as I have argued, Phalangist rule is minority rule and unpopular rule; hence illegitimate rule. And there has not always been war in Lebanon. On the contrary, Lebanon has had a history of peaceful coexistence between the different ethnic groups. Ethnic divisions were invoked, however, by the French-sponsored independence in 1943, and exacerbated by constant Western favoritism toward the Lebanese Maronites and their Sunni Muslim allies, which often degenerated into massive military support for these groups, as in the case of the US military invasion of Lebanon in 1958. These ethnic divisions became insurmountable the moment that the US and Israel threw their weight decisively behind the Phalange in the summer of 1982, not in order to stabilize Lebanon, but to impose a vehemently pro-Western

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OPINION

Trading Strategy For Reality

by Helen Wheatley

RONALD REAGAN IS AT WAR. TO TIP O'NEILL and all other politicians who have questioned the shelling of the Lebanese, Reagan has said that "they may be ready to surrender, but I'm not."

How is it that the failure of the "peacekeeping" mission in Lebanon has encouraged the president to spout belligerent lines that would be more appropriate for his old movie *Hellcats of the Navy*? Why does he seem to equate the fall of the Gemayel clan to the fall of Dunkirk?

The answer is not to be found simply in the fading brain of Ronald Reagan. The real source of US policy in Lebanon can be found in the Pentagon, where strategists have quietly built a huge and expensive central command apparatus prepared for the new world of AirLand Battle Doctrine in the Middle East.

AirLand Battle Doctrine, an invention of the US Army, rests on two principles. The first is that US must be prepared to conduct "rapid, unpredictable, violent" attacks on the enemy because "the offensive is the decisive form of war," according to an Army field manual. This means that the military forces are prepared to make pre-emptive attacks and to bomb relentlessly when they perceive a threat to US national interests. In the MidEast these interests have been defined as the protection of Persian Gulf oil and the conservative regimes that support US access and control over the oil.

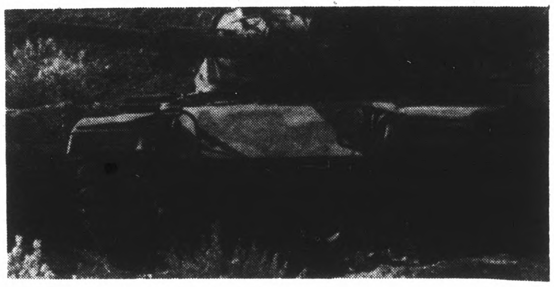
The second and more frightening principle of AirLand Battle Doctrine is that the special "counter-insurgency" teams of the Rapid Deployment Force must have what is called dual-capability. The Rapid Deployment Force (RDF) is an elite and highly trained unit which the Pentagon insists is capable of rescuing endangered Gulf-state regimes when they face the fate of the Shah of Iran. With dual capability the RDF and other trained units can move from conventional warfare to tactical nuclear war with the simple exchange of a few projectiles attached to various field weapons. The Army's Ninth Division has been chosen to perform this role, and that division has had considerable training in the deserts of Ft. Irwin, California.

Installment of the Pershing II missiles in Western Europe has been justified by this theory of tactical nuclear war. If an all-out conventional war or even a nuclear war should break out in the Persian Gulf, the Pershing is there to make sure that the Soviets won't retaliate by escalating the regional war into an all-out nuclear war or by threatening Western Europe. Thus there is an unquestionable link between the "pre-emptive" Pershing missiles and the concept of pre-emptive war in the Middle East, which the Pentagon argues would probably be the result of an internal threat to one of the oil states.

This is the essence of what the Reagan administration calls deterrence. And this is why conservative governments in Europe support it. The United States reserves for itself the ability to wage war in what it has defined as areas of vital national interest by ensuring that the Soviets will be afraid to interfere or to support the insurgents.

How does Lebanon fit into this scenario? In 1983 a Pentagon document called the *Defense Guidance* was leaked to the press. This document outlined US military planning through 1988, and it stated that the Arc of Crisis, which extends from Morocco through the Persian Gulf to Pakistan, is the top US priority after defense of North America and NATO. The Arc of Crisis falls within the purview of the newly created Central Command (CentCom), which is responsible for the dual-capable Rapid Deployment Force.

Israel and Lebanon have been excluded from CentCom, however, and made the responsibility of the European Command (EurCom). This is presumably because the Europeans are deeply involved in those countries—the French have not yet agreed to withdraw their forces from Lebanon—and Israel and Lebanon are probably too unstable to risk the implementation of AirLand Battle Doctrine. Instead, Israel has been provided with a crack conventional army. The Pentagon does not seem to think that the Palestinian issue is a Middle Eastern one. Israel's invasion of Lebanon to oust the PLO was apparently a matter for NATO to police, and the pro-American Arab regimes acquiesced to this decision.



Unlike Israel and Lebanon, Syria does fall within the boundaries of CentCom. Syrian involvement in Lebanon does not fit the neat division between CentCom and EuroCom, between NATO involvement and unilateral US decision-making in the Gulf-Indian Ocean region. The US therefore does not tolerate the Syrian presence, and it has conducted its Lebanon policy as though the Syrians were not there.

As far as the American strategists are concerned, Syria cannot play a role in the negotiating process. Any areas of Lebanon in which Syrian influence exists are defined as Syrian-controlled and labeled Syrian "positions." By redefining certain sections of Lebanon, the United States could consider them CentCom territory. Once they become CentCom territory the AirLand Battle Doctrine becomes operative, and the United States is limited to either taking no action (saying that Syria is no threat to Persian Gulf states) or else undertaking a full-scale war with Syria. The United States is not prepared to risk that yet, and it seeks to define "Lebanon" as the small part of Beirut and Mt. Lebanon which it still hopes to place under the control of Amin Gemayel.

Israeli control of southern Lebanon also fits into this pattern. The Gemayel government can no more hope to assert its control over southern Lebanon, where the largely Shi'a population has been frustrated by the complicity of the Beirut government in the Israeli occupation, that it can win over areas occupied by elements of the coalition National Salvation Front (which is opposed to

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regime on Lebanese society.

Finally, it is ironic to use the epithets "fanatics" and "terrorists" for people struggling to regain control over their own affairs in the face of foreign occupation of their territory. Opponents of Phalangist rule include not only Muslims but a gamut of groups, including Christians; a fact that is usually conveniently omitted in Middle East press reports printed in this country. And their resistance to the Israeli and American occupation of their land has not been limited to desperate acts like the bombings of the US embassy and the Marine compound, or the assassination of the president of the American University in Beirut, Malcolm Kerr. It ranges from attempts at negotiated settlement through the participation of representatives of the National Salvation Front in the Geneva talks to the mass uprising of the last two weeks.

The continuing portrayal of the Lebanese as "fanatic" Muslims is extremely damaging to a peaceful settlement of the Lebanese conflict since it undermines the activities of peace groups in this country who are calling for an end to US militarism in the Middle East. Yet, there is little hope on this score: the West's ignorance, sometimes culminating in overt hatred of the Arabs in the "Orient" is as old as the Crusaders' assault on Islam, and probably as fierce. The difference is that the sword and dagger have made room for 16-inch shells, fired by the US battleship *New Jersey* as part of what military experts have described as "the heaviest American naval barrage since the Vietnam War."

It is imperative that the people in the US understand this country's role in Lebanon today as another instance of US militarism abroad, and that the case of Lebanon is just as clear-cut as the case of Central America. In El Salvador, the US is propping up a minority regime that violently represses the rights of the majority of the population. In Nicaragua, the US is attempting to overthrow a popular government that was able, after a long struggle and after suffering thousands of casualties, to get rid of an oppressive minority regime. In Lebanon, the US is applying its military power to maintain a pro-Western minority regime that has chosen to ignore the legitimate claims of the majority of the Lebanese population. As soon as this parallel is recognized, peace groups in the country can effectively fight for a US withdrawl from Lebanon and an end to the Lebanese war.

In short, the gradual disenfranchisement and the appalling poverty of the majority of the Lebanese population, the continuing Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon, and the indiscriminate shelling of civilian targets by US guns, today combine to preclude a peaceful resolution to the Lebanese conflict. A situation has been created in which the "disinherited" of Lebanese society are now wresting control from a discriminating regime and taking by force what has been denied them through force.

What must be done to prevent further blood-letting? The US must withdraw its Marines from Lebanese territory and move its battleships away from the Lebanese coast in order to end all attacks on Lebanon. The US must start direct negotiations with the leaders of the progressive forces in Lebanon, united in the National Salvation Front, which does not only include Shi'ites and Druze, but also progressive Maronites who should not be identified with the Phalange.

The US must also open negotiations with the Syrians. Syria is the linchpin in the Lebanese crisis and should be acknowledged as such. Syria supports and has some influence (*not* control) over the Druze and Shi'ite militias battling the Phalangists in Beirut, and is itself supported by the Soviet Union militarily and by Saudi Arabia financially. Syria occupies the eastern part of Lebanon, but has an interest in a strong, independent and friendly Lebanon as a buffer between itself and both Israel and the West. Neither Syria nor the Soviet Union have any interest in engaging the US militarily. It is imperative for the US government to recognize that the Syrians, through their influence and interests in Lebanon, can do more to bring stability to Lebanon than the US ever could.

The US must come to terms with the new realities in Lebanon, and its role in that country, before its armed forces become embroiled in a conflict form which they could not easily extricate themselves: a conflict that might escalate into a major international war.

If you disagree with US policy in Lebanon, call the man in the White House: (202) 456-7639. For more information on Lebanon and the Middle East, please contact the Palestine Support Group through the UCSC Campus Activities office. The PSG holds bi-weekly meetings on alternating Mondays in the Charles Merrill Lounge at 7:30pm. Note, however, that the group's next meeting will be in the Kresge Seminar Room on Thursday, February 23. Joe Stork, member of Middle East Research and Information Project (MERIP) Reports' editorial committee, will speak on "The US-Israeli Strategic Alliance and the Future of Lebanon" at 4pm; and Joe Stork, Fred Jameson and Hayden White will discuss their experiences in the Israeli-occupied West Bank at 7:30pm. Note also the lecture by Norman O. Brown on Shi'a Islam on February 21 in Oakes 105 at 7pm.

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Gemayel's Phalangist government.) As long as the US supports the Gemayel government, or any unpopular government, it will designate areas outside Beirut and Mt. Lebanon as either Syrian-controlled or Israeli-controlled. The Lebanese, Syrians, and Israelis may not see things this way, but the Pentagon Cold Warriors who enjoy Reagan's rapt attention need not worry about Lebanese public opinion.

For Reagan, a complete withdrawal from Lebanon does not make sense. Military and diplomatic strategists fear that the Central Command, with its nuclear-capable RDF, will lose credibility with conservative regimes in the Gulf if the US is not willing to support the Gemayel government in a relatively low-risk situation. They fear that a withdrawal from Lebanon will show a loss of nerve. According to Reagan, "We can't turn our backs on our friends and cut and run. If we do we'll be sending one signal to terrorists everywhere: they can gain by waging war against innocent people."

The president made this statement as the battleship *New Jersey* was preparing to wage war on the innocent people of Lebanon. Its shocking bombardment of Lebanese villages in the mountains of Beirut cannot be covered up by dissembling statements about "surgical bombing" of "Syrian positions." But the irony of Reagan's statement about terrorism was unapparent to him, because he had meant to convey his message to the Saudis and the Israelis as well as to the Gemayel government. It was a statement of policy, not a statement of reality.

The implications are frightening. The callousness of his remarks reveal that Reagan and his administration are prepared to substitute strategy—preservation of the RDF, maintenance of Israeli objectives by keeping the PLO out of Lebanon, exclusion of Syrian influence—for reality.

Reagan sees the conflict in Lebanon, which is in fact an uprising of the Lebanese against an unpopular government supported by foreign occupation, as a war against his own principles. Reagan can make a connection between support for Gemayel and the deployment of Pershing II in Europe. By murdering Lebanese people, he is asserting the right of the US government to intervene on behalf of the American people wherever our "vital national interests" are at stake.

Fortunately, many American politicians are not afflicted with the Reagan world-view. Even staunch believers in Reagan's military principle like Senate majority leader Howard Baker can see that the fall of the Gemayel government will not bring an end to American power in the world. For the sake of the Lebanese, we must do what we can to encourage the likes of Baker and Goldwater, as well as the Democrats, to demand a change in administration policy toward that country.

If the administration is not persuaded to abandon its objectives in Lebanon, it is likely that the *Defense Guidance* doctrine will be employed: "the attack must continue for as long as it takes to assure victory." Without direct negotiations with the Syrians, achieving victory might take years.

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Africa's Feast of Famine

by A.M. Babu

MANY GOVERNMENTS ARE LIKELY TO fall as Africa endures a catastrophic food crisis this year, because people are convinced that bad leadership and misguided economic policies are to blame.

Adding fire to the criticism this time will be the Islamic revival which is sweeping large parts of the continent.

There is no question about the gravity of the situation. A persistent drought has engulfed most of Africa, especially the south and east, for more than three years. This year, famine or acute malnutrition will affect an estimated 150 million people unless there is an immediate, dramatic change in the food supply.

Dismal economic conditions will make the damage worse. For one thing, in most countries the transport system has deteriorated badly—roads are impassable, vehicles don't run for lack of spare parts, parts are unobtainable for lack of foreign exchange—making food distribution nearly impossible.

These difficulties, combined with corrupt and inefficient bureaucracies, mean the situation could equal the horrors of the early 1970s that led to general political instability in the Sahel (a region in northern central Africa, south of the Sahara).

As early as last summer, a World Food Council report said the situation "threatens the survival of some African nations. It undermines their economic, social and political systems and causes great human suffering."

In the months since then there have been several coups and attempted coups which can be linked to the worsening economic situation and food crisis:

—In Nigeria, a military coup toppled the three-month-old civilian government. Nigeria, Africa's most populous country, is relatively prosperous, and its attempt to restore civilian rule and multi-party democracy had been a source of hope to those African countries currently dominated by the military or one party.

—In September, young army officers in Upper Volta took over from older, pro-French jackboots in a bloodless coup—and immediately declared their objective was to produce food and repair the nearly tattered economy.

—The first week of 1984 brought vicious riots protesting food price hikes in Tunis, long a model of a stable and strongly pro-Western country. President Bourguiba was forced to cancel the price rise.

A close look at these incidents reveals important elements in the current situation.

For example, Nigeria faced a fate which other countries already have suffered. The country was trying to honor conditions set by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). In practice, this means enriching the rich at the expense of the poor. IMF-mandated price increases raise the cost of living for the poor, which only creates conditions for social explosions. These, in turn, lead to ruthless military dictatorships of the kind seen in the Philippines, Thailand and Zaire.

In Tunis, the charismatic Bourguiba has dominated the political arena nearly 30 years—but he lost his mesmerizing power over the people as soon as he raised food prices, abiding by IMF conditions.

These stories also hint at another, newer factor. For example, the coup leaders in Upper Volta reportedly were supporters of Libyan leader Khadafy and his strong Islamic revival tendency.

In Tunis a year ago, Bourguiba ordered several Muslim fundamentalists arrested for "anti-government activities." These leaders were among those seeking to introduce new social codes in conformance with Islamic precepts—inspired by the Iranian revolution—and they now take credit for inspiring the food riots.

This story can be repeated all over Africa—a bad economic situation mixed with a return to some basic anti-Western beliefs.

Another cause of discontent is that many people still remember the 1960s, when Africa was self-sufficient in food and agriculture was growing. In the 1970s, however, production dropped significantly.

The UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Bank bear a large portion of the blame for this.

For instance, it was the World Bank, with FAO assistance, which emphasized growing cash crops—making it easier to get credits for planting tea or coffee instead of rice or wheat or maize.

FAO "experts"—agronomists or specialists in some related field—have no overall view of the role agriculture plays in a national economy. Their advice tends to be one-sided and incomplete, and to concern export crops only.

So this year, Africa will receive more than half the world's food aid.

The future looks no better. By the turn of the century, Africa will have 400 million more people to feed, and many national leaders have shown themselves completely incapable of managing a sound economy, much less economies able to handle the coming population increases.

Their disillusioned citizens look for alternative philosophies. In the north of Africa, and to some extent in the west, they turn to Islamic precepts. In the rest of Africa, serious economic, social and political deterioration is likely. And the chaos which follows may lead to long-lasting civil uprisings.

The Western world will have to contend with this new situation, especially in North Africa, where the Islamic revival directly challenges everything Western. Western leaders who see everything in terms of East-West confrontation will find themselves more and more isolated, especially when they align themselves with those African leaders who are seen as responsible for the current crisis.

People in the West must try to understand what is happening in these regions of Africa in human terms. If they do, the inevitable upheavals may become expressions of positive feelings.

Otherwise, the prolonged crisis in Africa and the intervention of the superpowers might well get out of hand, and a serious confrontation of these powers becomes a dangerous possibility.

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Revista Mujeres

The Voice of Las Mujeres

by Tenley Ruth

LAS MUJERES, A GROUP OF CHICANA, LATINA and Mejicana women, have taken things into their own hands. They know all too well about living in an environment that is alienating and isolating but that refuses to acknowledge itself as such. With their impressive pool of strength and determination, they provide each other with the support necessary to work through their daily struggles and frustrations of living in the UCSC and Santa Cruz communities by holding weekly meetings and coordinating a number of social and cultural activities.

Their most recent activity, an achievement never before seen at UCSC, is *Revista Mujeres*, a celebratory voice of Las Mujeres and a vehicle for reaching out to other Chicana, Latina and Mejicana women. The first edition, due to be released February 24, is the culmination of months of time and energy of many Chicana, Latina and Mejicana students, staff and faculty. It will include an article on Chicanas in science and an interview introducing and welcoming Pat Zavella to the community studies board and to the UCSC community.

> Revista Mujeres *will let Las Mujeres expand their networking among Chicana, Latina and Mejicana women.*

Comprised of a bilingual collection of brief essays, brief creative literary works and several black and white drawings, *Revista Mujeres* will cover topics in the humanities and arts and the social and natural sciences as they relate to Chicana, Latina and Mejicana women. Originally, *Revista Mujeres* was going to be a newsletter, but Las Mujeres decided upon a journal because of the greater artistic possibilities and the sense of permanence. "A newsletter ends up in the trash," Elisa Davila, a current member of Las Mujeres, said, "while a journal ends up in a bookshelf, to be read and re-read."

Another advantage of creating a journal rather than a newsletter is the ability to expand the networking that Las Mujeres has begun among Chicana, Latina and Mejicana women in Santa Cruz. With *Revista Mujeres*, they plan to reach out to other UC schools, and also outside the UC system, by sending copies of *La Revista* to a variety of Third World organizations in California and throughout the country. "It will reach a larger audience, beyond the group [the weekly support group]," Davila said. "It has a wider scope."

Begun 12 years ago as the Chicana Women's Support Group, Las Mujeres' main purpose has always been to provide cultural, social, political and academic support for Chicana, Latina and Mejicana women. Katia Panas, a counselor at UCSC and a cofounder of the group, saw the birth of the organization as fulfilling the need to "support each other as women in an institution [UCSC] which doesn't address the needs or wants of Chicana, Latina, and Mejicana women."

Most people aren't aware of the vast number of problems and daily frustrations which non-Anglos face at UCSC. "The institution has so little to offer in terms of the Latina women's needs," Panas said, "so little content that directly addresses their lives. This causes stress in their lives."

A recurring cause of stress for the women in the group stems from external and internal pressure they feel to acquire certain values for survival that may be contradictory to their own values. Some say they feel forced to take on a new identity to fit into the campus life. In addition, many Chicanos, Latinos, and Mejicanos depend on financial aid to get through school and some have to send money home to their families. Many of the women have come to school against the wishes of their families who often regard education for women as a waste of time and money, and resent the loss of a wage earner.

Other frustrations stem from not having a common culture with the majority of people one comes into daily contact with—

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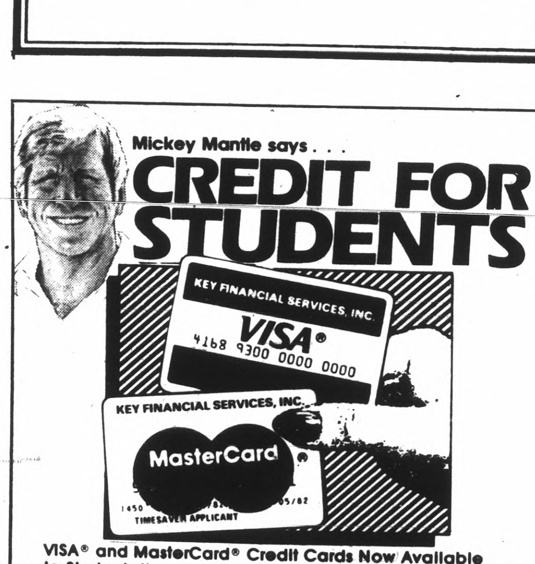

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LAS MUJERES

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students, staff and faculty. Academic differences instigate even more frustration. Ana Carrillo, a current member of the group who is now working on her community studies thesis on Chicana women in the labor force, remembers "struggling with skills our Anglo counterparts—Anglo women—had already mastered: reading skills, writing skills—basic skills needed to get along."

The group tackles these problems by offering a support system, a network of women that extends throughout the campus community. Carrillo thinks "the women who don't have the support tend to drop out, or else they think they're the only ones going through this."

The size of the group varies each week from 5 to 50 women, according to Panas. The women decide what direction the group will take according to their individual needs and interests. In the 1972 group, Dr. Lisa Solinas, an original member who has since moved out of Santa Cruz, remembers centering on "problems of being a Chicana among other Chicanos, of trying to be believed and taken seriously by our peers and by the institution itself. A lot of us also had to overcome the pressure of family and friends who thought we would just get married and not go out and use the skills we acquired. We had a common desire to communicate with other women about the problems we were having, to make our environment more equitable and to share our frustrations."

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Carrillo remembers working in the group on questions concerning "the role women—especially Chicana women— should play within the university setting and within the societal structure. Other topics range from personal sexual relationships to Chicana literature to the question of 'how much power do we have?' "

Alejandra Huarez, one of the co-founders of the group but no longer an active part of it, remembers that many of the problems she faced at UCSC stemmed from her rural background and her traditional upbringing. "The university was very new, very competitive," she says. "I grew up in a sheltered environment and I didn't get as much exposure to things as other students. I went through a lot of different, totally new experiences. I tried to fit in, but I wanted to maintain my identity. The group [of Chicana women] was a place to share experiences, to realize you're not the only one going through it, and that you're not a failure."

Another student was raised in a completely different manner, "a 99 percent Anglo lifestyle." She feels the group has helped her re-define her heritage, of which she is now proud. Each woman is admittedly different, but there's a tendency among them to come to the group expecting to meet others with the same cultural, social, and political values because they have come from similar cultural backgrounds. It's a shock to realize that that's not necessarily true at all. "We come together and have many differences," Panas says. "The policy of Las Mujeres has been to keep the group open, and to be tolerant of each other's differences and to respect one another regardless of where we're coming from."

The group's philosophy, "to be all-inclusive as possible," provided the impetus for the women to change the group's name from the Chicana Women's Support Group to Las Mujeres. The change is significant. As one student now active in Las Mujeres said, "I was already a part of the group before I even came to a meeting. The name represented me."

Another student who is active in the women's movement became attracted to the group because of a need to identify with Latina women. "I know all women are women," she says, "but we [Las Mujeres] have a cultural bond that's important. We're women of the same background who have similar struggles, goals and dreams; it's the union of all those things."

Clara Lomas, a professor at Oakes College with the Spanish for Spanish speakers program, works mostly with Latino students. She realized she assumed a role of authority while in the classroom with her students and she "wanted to relate to these people on the same level. I was part of them, as a woman, with the same background, wih some of the same problems."

Each quarter Las Mujeres changes the time and location of their weekly meetings in order to attract different people. Because of this policy, the discussions vary widely from quarter to quarter as new people join and others leave. Throughout the 12 years, "students have greatly outnumbered faculty employed at this university who would be able to become a part of this group," Panas explains.

The fact that she has been the only member of the group active since its beginnings reflects the Chicana/Mejicana/Latina situation within the university. As of November, 1983, there were 11 Hispanic faculty members at UCSC (5 percent), 72 Hispanic staff members (7.1 percent), and 434 Hispanic undergraduate and graduate students (6.4 percent).

Though men are not invited to attend their weekly meetings, Las Mujeres encourages men to participate and support their activities and events. For instance, they're looking for a man to help with childcare so single mothers can come to the meetings. "We want the support of men," Panas said. "We don't want to alienate them, but we want those men who constructively support the direction the women as a collective want to go."

None of the women even try to predict the group's future or the direction it will take. As Davila said, "Las Mujeres will go wherever las mujeres take it." Since this is the first edition of *Revista Mujeres*, the women are unsure of how it will be received and how long it will continue to be published by the group. They will accept entries from anyone—men and women of any background— and they stress freedom of expression at all levels.

In the spring, possibily in coordination with International Women's Week, Las Mujeres plan to sponsor a panel discussion or forum geared toward bringing more awareness on campus about Chicana and Latina women. Ideas for other future activities may evolve from successful events of the past. These have included an all-day Chicana conference of workshops, art exhibits, panel discussions, lectures, and entertainment, and a Third World workshop, which included for the first time other Third World women from several northern California colleges. "One of the main results of this workshop," according to Panas, "was the reinforcement of the recognition that the problems faced by Las Mujeres at UCSC were also experienced by other Third World women at other campuses and communities, whether they were students, staff, faculty or community members."

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Carrillo considers the most important task of the group to be a drive to retain Las Mujeres. "Constant networking has to be worked on," she says. "It's the new ones we have to bring in." Panas echoes Carrillo's sentiments on a slightly different "Students are transients," she says, "and we need more staff and faculty to be supportive backbone." But Panas is confident that the group will always continue and thrive because the most important aspect of it all, the ones who keep it going, she asserts, are "las mujeres. The activities will change, but we shall remain."

Las Mujeres hold weekly meetings this quarter every Tuesday at 7pm in the Charles E. Merrill Lounge at Merrill College, UCSC. The reception for the coming out of Revista Mujres *will be February 24. For more information, call Katia Panas at 429-2572.*

WOMEN'S *clips*

Quote of the Week

"One might simplify this by saying: men act and women appear. Men look at women. Women watch themselves being looked at. This determines not only most relations between men and women, but also the relation of women to themselves...Thus she turns herself into an object—and most particularly, an object of vision: a sight."

John Berger, *Ways of Seeing*, 1972.

Flex that Muscle

Women in Athletics is a new organization forming in Santa Cruz County for the purpose of "empowering women by supporting their participation in sports and fitness," according to its creator, Laurie Levin. The organization is for nonathletic women who might be interested in sports but need a supportive atmosphere, as well as athletic women. Levin invites all interested women to a special organizational meeting at 7pm on Sunday, February 19, at 135 18th St., Santa Cruz; or call 462-0562 for more information.

Terror in the Streets

In response to the increasing number of rapes in Detroit, Mayor Coleman A. Young has begun a program in which approximately 3,000 radio-equipped vehicles of local gas, electric, and telephone companies will help combat rape by serving as the city's "eyes and ears," Associated Press reported.

Over 50 schoolgirls have been raped in the past year throughout the city, including three in the past two weeks, and according to police, the incidents have not been confined to a particular area. The program includes a special communications system between the police department and the utilities' radio rooms, and decals on the utility vehicles identifying them "as places that provide help for young and old people."

The Truth Comes Out

Abortions do not decrease a woman's fertility, according to a recent study released by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the Los Angeles *Times* reported. "Women considering legal abortion were regularly advised that the procedure cold leave them sterile," the report said. "No difference in pregnancy rates was found that might be related to previous induced abortion."

The three and a half year study involved over 1200 women who had had abortions at three Massachusetts clinics and who were compared to two separate groups of women who had never had abortions. The study found high pregnancy rates among women who had had three or more abortions and lower pregnancy rates among the women who had just had an abortion because, the study sid, the woman began using effective contraception after terminating their unwanted pregnancies.

The mythical link between abortion and sterility arose in Europe, Japan, and Greece, where the fertility of women who had illegal abortions did decline. Method of abortion used in these lands is dilation and curettage (a scraping procedure), as opposed to the vacuum curettage (a suction procedure used in the US), and "could be expected to be more traumatic" to the body, thereby decreasing fertility.

(Un) Holy Infant

Rita Milla, a former choir member who hoped to become a nun, is suing seven priests and their archdiocese for $21 million in Los Angeles. The suit alleges civil conspiracy, clergy malpractice, fraud, and breach of fiduciary duty of a priest. Milla hopes the suit will also determine who the father of her child is.

Milla claims that one priest seduced her in the confessional booth, had intercourse with her, and then introduced her to six other priests. Milla also claims that two reverends had intercourse with her, resulting in her preganancy.

The Pope has been called to investigate the allegations that two bishops were aware of the incidents, but did not interfere. Milla says she did not resist the advances because she respected the priests' authority.

A Shocking Sponge

A fifth woman has been diagnosed by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) with Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS) after using a Today contraceptive sponge manufactured by the VLI Corporation in Irvine. The company's spokesperson says incorrect use of the sponge (leaving it in too long or using it too soon after giving birth) could lead to TSS, but further studies into the most recent case are necessary to determine whether the woman actually suffered from TSS. FDA regional medical officer Dr. David Johnson had concluded that it was TSS. TSS is associated with the bacterium staphylococus aureus and can be fatal.

Locker Room Shuffle

Carole Elizabeth Sunflower has accepted an out-of-court settlement of $309,000 from Sacramento television station KTXL, channel 40, after being fired for what she alleges was sexual discrimination.

Sunflower says she was fired for going against management wishes in 1981. Due to an American Football Conference policy that women are not allowed in the locker rooms, she was unable to interview the then-Oakland Raiders and the San Diego Chargers. To overcome this problem, Sunflower hired a SF lawyer who arranged a separate interview room for her. Sunflower claims this independent action angered her employers.

KTXL business manager Peter Filice says Sunflower was dismissed because "her performance continued to decline" in spite of several warnings she had been given to follow company directions. ✓

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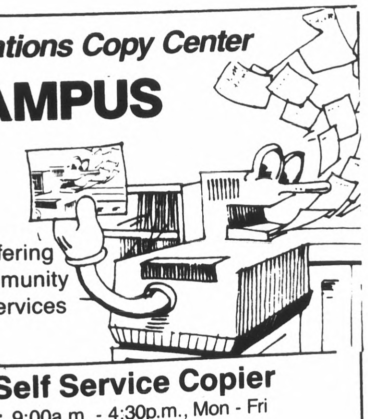

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Fassbinder's Weimar Epic

by Janet Hutton

"THERE ARE TWO PATHS IN THIS world," wrote Alfred Doblin in an early prologue to his novel *Berlin Alexanderplatz,* "a visible and an invisible." And Franz Biberkopf (Gunter Lamprecht), the protagonist in Rainer Werner Fassbinder's film based on the novel, is a man who is apparently aware of only what he can see.

Fassbinder *(Lola, The Marraige of Maria Braun)* has turned *Berlin Alexanderplatz* into a 15-hour drama, set in the seamier side of Berlin during the late 1920s. The incredible length of the film—13 parts and an epilog—enabled Fassbinder to expose the full depth of the characters' relations and emotions. The first seven chapters of the film, which this review is based on, thrust Franz into several crises and wring him through a few deceptions, which, though they take Franz by surprise, the viewer can see coming—step by slow step.

The film opens as the haggard, middle-aged Franz is released from Tegel, the prison where he has served four years in solitary confinement for killing his fiancee, Ida. Far from rejoicing at his new freedom, Franz is too paranoid to take a step beyond the prison gate. Beyond the gate lies an unordered, chaotic world—a world that can overwhelm even those who are prepared to survive—and Franz is not. But a solicitous push from a guard, who warns him not to look back, and Franz is out and on his own again. Ironically, the title of the first chapter is "The Punishment Begins."

Back in his former flat in Berlin, complete with a matronly landlady who has a penchant for eavesdropping, Franz takes up again with his old friend Meck (Franz Buchreiser) and with Lina (Elisabeth Tissenaar), a sweet-souled Polish woman with a Garboesque voice who soon moves in with him. He wants nothing more to do with the life he led before prison. He avoids the concerned overtures made by the beautiful Eva (Hanna Schygulla), whose pimp he once was, and he resists Meck's attempts to include him in any shady deals. He swears that he will stay honest and "never do anything again that anyone else would not do."

But these are sick times—Berlin during the Weimar Republic, that ill-fated era between the collapse of the German empire in 1918 and the 1933 rise of the Nazi party and the Final Solution to the Jewish Problem. Germany was plagued with inflation, mass unemployment and a series of unsuccessful governments.

It is the undercurrents in men and in the society as a whole that trip Franz up. His philosophy is a simple one—a man must live. He starts as a street vendor, selling plastic tie holders, and when that proves unfruitful, moves on to selling newspapers. But the newspaper he consents to sell is the *People's Observer,* a fascist tabloid which claims that "the struggle against the Jews is also the struggle for Bavaria." Franz meets his new employer in a dance hall appropriately named Die Neue Welt ("The New World"). In the beefy, somewhat flaccid Franz, the employer sees a "true German man." But Franz, who wears the swastika armband pressed on him quite differently, is unconcerned with the message behind the symbol and unprepared for the antagonism of several of his old friends from the early days of the Republic. "I'm not against Jews," says Franz in self-defense, "but I'm for order. Everyone understands that there must be order, right?"

There is no order for Franz though, even in the friendships he places trust in. Franz is betrayed first by Lina's bland, bespectacled Uncle Otto, with whom he sells shoelaces door-to-door, and later by Reinhold, a sly, stuttering fellow who unloads his old girlfriends on Franz and then tricks him into being the lookout during a burglary.

If this film seems tedious, it comes from watching Franz suffer one stroke of bad luck after the other. Fassbinder plays off of several scenes in a slaughter house to give the viewer a sense of what great sacrifices are made. We see horses, pigs, and calves led into a building and killed with the blow of a powerful mallet. The only difference between Franz and the animals is that they stay down once they are slugged. Franz gets up.

Throughout the film, an unseen narrator breaks the continuity long enough to treat the viewer to various discourses, such as the main causes of impotence and what a wild rabbit does when cornered. Occasionally, the comic and the tragic is juxtaposed, as in the flashback when Franz is shown beating his fiancee, Ida, with a wooden cream whipper. The narrator drily explains the scene, and a series of physical equations appear which, to the enlightened viewer, explain the effect of the cream whipper, as wielded by Franz, upon Ida's ribs.

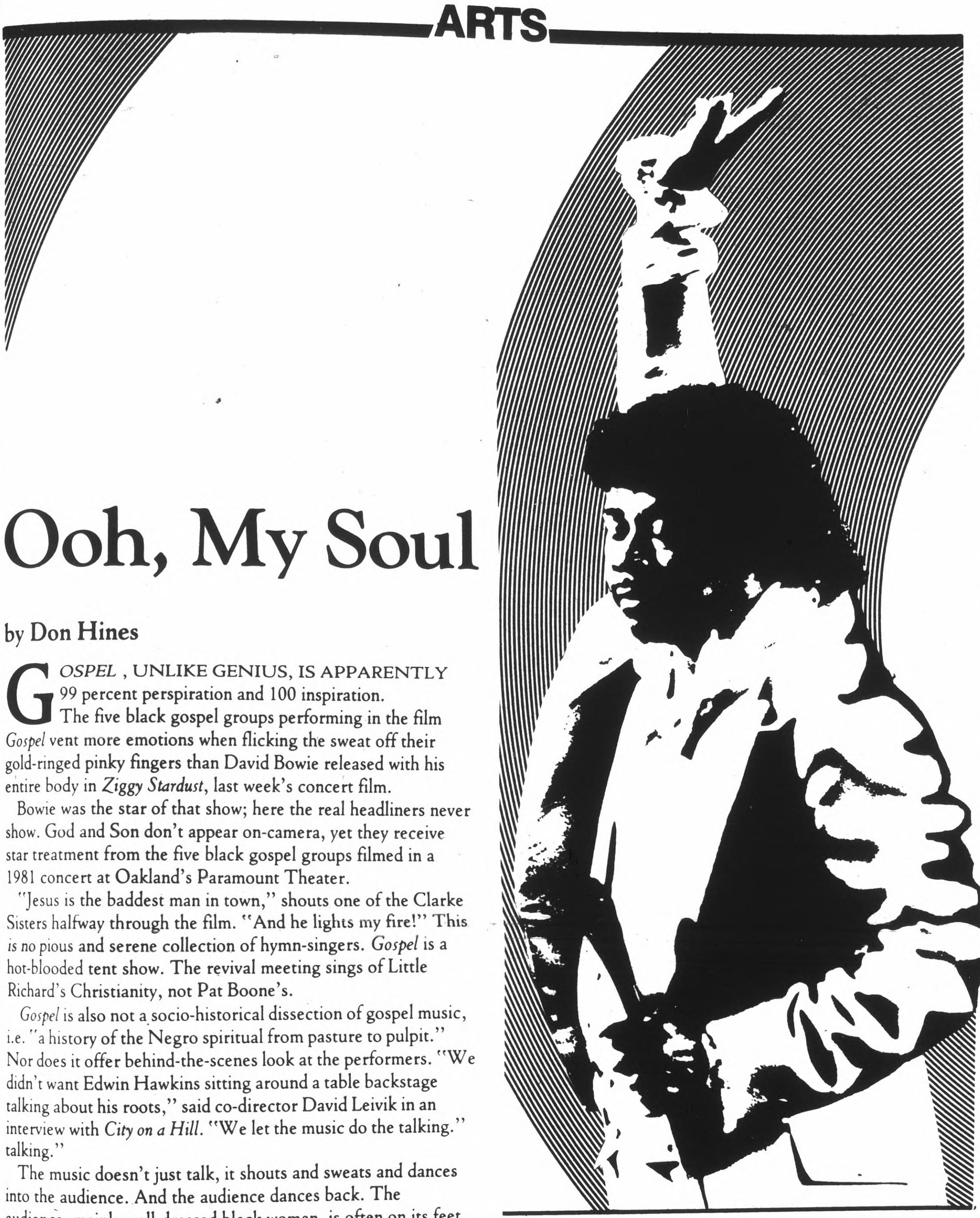
The voice-overs have the effect of distancing the viewer from the dreariness and horror of what's happening on the screen. Franz himself is given to occasional long, prattling monologues. The ultimate frustration about the film is that, although Franz learns more about the pitfalls in life as time goes by, it doesn't appear to be fast enough.

Gunter Lamprecht, as Franz, turns in an astounding performance. With his small eyes, fleshy face, and thickset neck, he embodies the coarse, unskilled German man with his simple needs and simple politics. Lamprecht is so true to character, so true to what we expect from Franz, that the acting doesn't show.

Fassbinder found the perfect material in *Berlin Alexanderplatz.* In the film, Franz learns more about the human race than he ever wanted to know, and for everything he learns, he suffers. Fassbinder was caught up in some inexplicable suffering of his own. Dead at 36 from an overdose of drugs and various excesses, perhaps he saw too many sacrifices. The slow, careful treatment he gave the character of Franz Biberkopf would seem to indicate he felt some sort of kinship with Franz. Fassbinder appears briefly himself near the end of the film—just one more small, seedy character in the life of Franz Biberkopf.

In the chapters to come, Franz meets and falls in love with Mieze, a dark-haired femme fatale from the country, and Reinhold, who appears as a serpent in one of Franz's dreams, commiting an act of unforgivable treachery. The plot is slow, but with 15 hours in which to develop, there's no reason for it to move at warp speed. This is no *Gone with the Wind* and there most certainly won't be a happy ending. But whatever the outcome, Fassbinder has given us an intricate look at one man's attempt to stay honest in a disordered world.

The entire series will be screened over five consecutive Mondays, from Feb. 13 through March 12 (three parts each week). The first three parts will be repeated on Sunday, Feb. 19, for any late starters. At the Sash Mill. Call for times.



Ooh, My Soul

by Don Hines

GOSPEL, UNLIKE GENIUS, IS APPARENTLY 99 percent perspiration and 100 inspiration.

The five black gospel groups performing in the film *Gospel* vent more emotions when flicking the sweat off their gold-ringed pinky fingers than David Bowie released with his entire body in *Ziggy Stardust*, last week's concert film.

Bowie was the star of that show; here the real headliners never show. God and Son don't appear on-camera, yet they receive star treatment from the five black gospel groups filmed in a 1981 concert at Oakland's Paramount Theater.

"Jesus is the baddest man in town," shouts one of the Clarke Sisters halfway through the film. "And he lights my fire!" This *is no* pious and serene collection of hymn-singers. *Gospel* is a hot-blooded tent show. The revival meeting sings of Little Richard's Christianity, not Pat Boone's.

Gospel is also not a socio-historical dissection of gospel music, i.e. "a history of the Negro spiritual from pasture to pulpit." Nor does it offer behind-the-scenes look at the performers. "We didn't want Edwin Hawkins sitting around a table backstage talking about his roots," said co-director David Leivik in an interview with *City on a Hill*. "We let the music do the talking." talking."

The music doesn't just talk, it shouts and sweats and dances into the audience. And the audience dances back. The audience, mainly well-dressed black women, is often on its feet gyrating to the overpowering onstage beat. A half-dozen cameras provide an audience-eye-view of the show. One exuberant hand-held camera rhythmically bounces in time to the music.

The Oakland-based Walter Hawkins Family are the only performers here familiar to mainstream audiences. Their 1973 crossover hit "Oh Happy Days" was the most traditionally religious of that era's Aquarian-age spirituals ("I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing," "Get Together"). The Hawkins' act seemed suitable for Vegas, featuring a percussionist, a guitarist, and a fifty-person choir. It's the slickest in the show.

"The electrifying evangelist" Shirley Caesar, however, seems the closest to old-time fire and brimstone gospel singing; she also approaches psychodrama when she reenacts the crucifixion, using a backup singer to double for Jesus and a mikestand for the cross.

The Clarke Sisters take a decidedly modern approach to gospel. "I don't take no LSD," shouts one: "I take G.O.D. and it gets me higher." The Sisters appropriate inner-city ills for their religious imagery—"I'm a alcoholic for Jesus...I'm a prostitute for Jesus."

The Mighty Clouds of Joy open the show with some sweet falsetto. In "Walk Around Heaven All Day," Paul Beasley stretches the word "all" for a full half-minute note. With their white suits and gold jewelry the Mighty Clouds looked like God's backup singers—Jesus Christ and the Pips.

Yet the show-biz professionalism of the performers in no way dims their fire. At the end of Reverend James Cleveland's set, the drummer plays on after the other musicians have stopped, apparently animated by the powers of the Lord. Finally the drumsticks are pried from his fingers and he is carried offstage. All the performers display an emotional and spiritual commitment unmatched by other popular artists. Each band's set builds to a mini-crescendo, starting slowly and ending with shouting, sweaty exhortations.

The stage moves—a fist in the air, a Chuck Berry duck walk—often look like rock-star maneuvers. But I think the gospel moves came first; early rockers like Jerry Lee Lewis and Little Richard spent their formative years in chapels and tent shows, listening to wild-eyed theatrical preachers. *Gospel* packs more feverish energy than any rock show. But here the holy trinity is not sex, drugs and rock 'n roll.

Even for atheists, agnostics, or critics of professional Christianity, *Gospel* offers a soaring emotional experience. "Nobody moves me like Jesus," sings the James Cleveland Choir, and few concert films move you like *Gospel*. ✓

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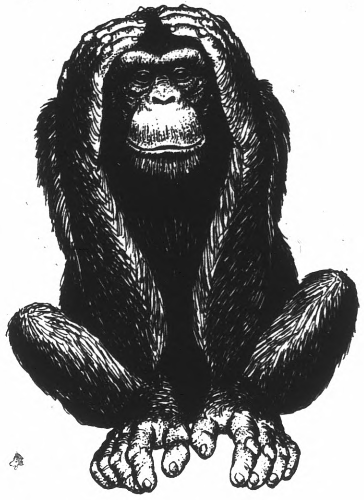

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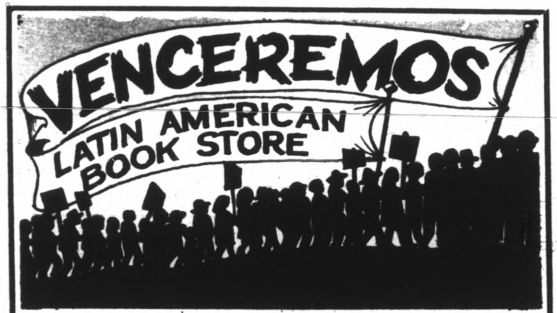

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The Demise of Sex

by Jason Roberts

"Sex after the Sexual Revolution is just about as exciting as football after the Super Bowl. Too much of a good thing reduces its charm."

—Gabrielle Brown, The New Celibacy

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT, 1983 WAS THE YEAR sex became Public Enemy Number One. The best-selling self-help book *The New Celibacy* was followed by a spate of other nonfiction books (*Living Alone and Loving It, Creating Nonsexual Energy*) touting the joys of banishing sex from the modern lifestyle. Journalist George Leonard took the topic one step further in an issue of *Esquire*: physical intimacy, he argued, was really too complex to make a good hobby. Since the Sexual Revolution has convinced everyone of their own inadequacy, it was time to call the whole thing quits and return to the "sexual stability" of bygone days. The article was entitled "The End of Sex."

It would be easy to dismiss such pronouncements as hype, but a quick read between the lines reveals a few disturbing trends. The "sexual stability" of the 50s and early 60s included gender stereotypes, male dominance and an air of disgust concerning matters sensual. Does the US really want to return to those standards?

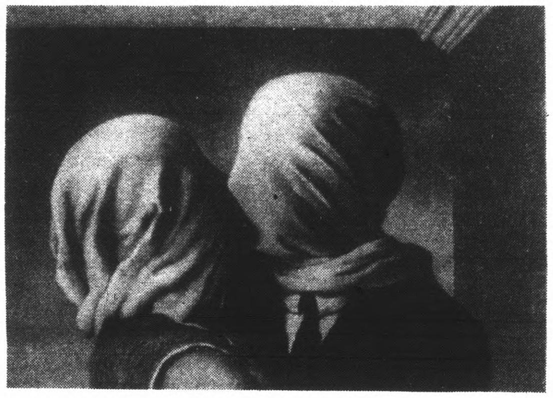
Apparently, yes. One of the biggest hits of the publishing world last year was *Real Men Don't Eat Quiche*, a heavily promoted pamphlet that portrayed "real" men as swaggering bullies, insensitive to women and contemptuous of pleasures other than guzzling beer and watching football. Quick on its heels was *Real Women Don't Pump Gas*, which maintained, tongue lightly in cheek, that true femininity lies in coquettishly manipulating men. Both slim volumes were marketed as humor, but publishers swiftly realized that this was a new sort of "humor." The books weren't successful because of their wit (both are essentially one-joke books), nor because of the appropriateness of their characterizations (only Archie Bunker and Phyllis Schafly could really identify with them). They were successful because they mirrored the anxieties growing out of increased social and sexual responsibilities for men and women.

Months later, bookstores are besieged with humor books glibly demeaning sexuality: *How to Avoid Love and Marriage, The One-Minute Relationship, The One-Minute Lover, 300 Ways to Say No to a Man, The Complete Sexenders Program, How to Regain Your Virginity, The Official I Hate Love Book.* The styles vary, but the message does not—sex is bad, a source of needless anguish, a big letdown.

Also prevalent in these books is a sense of longing for a simplicity that never was. In *The One-Minute Lover*, the act of love is diagrammed like an elementary football play: "in, out (repeat if necessary)." In *How to Regain Your Virginity*, the reader is supposed to return to innocence by believing in preposterous things: "babies are made out of several layers of very thin wood." The old myth of masturbation causing blindness is taken one step further in *Sexenders*, which depicts extended orgasms as a permanently crippling disease. *Sexenders* also proposes a sort of sexual Newspeak, in which penis is defined as "one who plays an upright piano," and orgasm as "the Japanese art of protoplasm folding."

There's nothing wrong with making jokes about sex; sex-related humor has been a constant in our society, from Mark Twain to Lenny Bruce to Eddie Murphy. But such thinly disguised hostility (come on—crippling orgasms?) isn't true humor, it's a polite pretext for expressing real feelings. Just as racism lurks at the heart of most Polack jokes, Puritan-style hatred of sexuality is at the core of put-ons like "The Intimate Cat Lives of Famous Dead People," and "Learning to Drive Around Your Erogenous Zones."

Perhaps this genre is a natural reaction to the mass-marketed *Playboy/Penthouse/Cosmopolitan* obsession with sex. Perhaps it's a reaction to how sex has become a commodity for network TV and designer jeans. But I can't help thinking that the motives are less honorable than that. The Sexual Revolution was mostly the creation of magazine journalists; most real changes on our sexual mores came out of the feminist movement, with women demanding their right to shared pleasure and shared responsibility. In some ways it's a natural reaction to retreat from this new, still amorphous sort of sexuality and retreat into John Wayne/Mamie Eisenhower role models—but that's essentialy a brand of nonsense to which anti-sex, anti-love books give far too much credence.



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More disconcerting is the thought that such books represent not a swing of the pendulum, but a twist of the knife. Perhaps the breakdown of taboos in the 60s and 70s has led to a "let's-call-it-quits" frankness: *are relationships really worth the hurt they cause? Is intimacy really work the uncomfortable surrendering of persona?* Laughing, even derisively, at love may be an act of cathartical denial. For many of us, the subject is more painful than funny.

I'm expecting at least a few dozen more books in the manner of *Sex is for Dummies* and *Love Causes Cancer.* Cathartic or not, these books detract from our coming ~~to terms~~ with modern sexuality; we don't need a return to roleplaying, and we don't need embittered sexual polarization. For the first time in American society we're approaching a state in which sexuality is tied up with maturity...but we're not going to get there if we keep looking over our shoulder at what we've left behind. ✓

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A NEW **MEMBERS MEETING OF THE ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTION GROUP**: Wed., Feb. 22, 7pm at the Louden Nelson Center, corner of Laurel and Center in Santa Cruz. For more info, call 426-2225 (evenings), or write PO Box 8087, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.

DREAD-LINE, formerly Santa Cruz's own Rainbow, in a benefit concert for the African People's Childcare Collective of Oakland. Dance to reggae music and tropical jazz Fri., Feb. 24, 8-12 at the Vets Hall, Front & Water in Santa Cruz. All ages welcome. For more info, call 458-3294.

FALL QUARTER IN MEXICO. The Education Abroad Program is now offering its Mexico study and field experience program for the fall quarter 1984. You must complete through Spanish 3 this spring but there is no minimum unit requirement prior to participation. Come to International Services, 240 Central Services, for details. Applications are due on May 11.

WORKSHOP ON WAR TAX RESISTANCE: Sat. Feb. 18, 1-5pm, at the Resource Center for Nonviolence, 515 Broadway, Santa Cruz. Why resist, how to resist, consequences of resistance. A $5 donation is requested. For further info, call Deena or Betsy at 423-1626.

DISCUSSION/EXPLORATION GROUP ON FRIENDSHIP: Topics to be discussed range from "How to begin and deepen friendships" to "Communication" to "How to be a friend to yourself" and "Self-disclosure." Facilitated by Campus Peer Counselors. Thursdays 7pm, Cowell Commuter Lounge.

SILENT VIGIL IN PROTEST of US militarism and intervention in Central America and the Caribbean. A 15 minute silent protest will take place in mourning of the victims of US policy in the region. Put your feelings into action and express your dissent each Wed. at Whole Earth parking lot, across from mailbox: 12:40-12:55pm.

EXHIBITION OF TEN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BLACK ARTISTS: The theme of this year's exhibition is youth and the elderly. Through Feb. 28 at the Louden Nelson Hall Gallery 301 Center St., S.C. A reception will be held Sun., Feb. 19 from 3-6pm.

STUDENTS FOR JESSE JACKSON are building a rainbow coalition. If you want to help in this historic effort to bring justice and equality to the democratic process, to become part of the only really issue oriented campaign that can dump Reaganism and at the same time end creeping apathy on campus, call 425-7997 between 11am and 3pm, Mon-Fri., or 423-1352 at other times and ask for Gary.

ADOBE COALITION: A task force to support the restoration of the Neary Adobe Santa Cruz Historic Park meets Feb. 22, 7pm, at the Civic Auditorium, Rms. G & H, Church and Center Sts.

NEW ENGLAND STYLE CONTRA DANCE: Sun, 19 Feb. at Portuguese Hall (CPDES) near Harvey West Park entrance, Santa Cruz, 7:30pm. No experience needed: come alone or bring a friend. Sponsored by the Bay Area Country Dance Society. More info: 479-0295 or 427-0341.

RE-ENTRY STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST: The California Advocates for Re-Entry Education (C.A.R.E.) is sponsoring a writing contest to find the most interesting re-entry to education story by a current re-entry student. Stories should be approximately 3-5 pages typed and should focus on the following: What returning to education has meant, what went into the decision to complete a college degree, how it is being accomplished and the changes it is making. Deadline date for entries to be submitted is March 5. Entry forms can be picked up in the Women's Re-Entry Office, 103 Classroom Unit. Winning entries will receive up to $200.

OUR LAST FAREWELL PERFORMANCE: James Houston and Peter Beagle, internationally acclaimed authors, will read from and discuss their work Fri., Feb. 17 at 7:30 in Oakes College 105, UCSC. Sponsored by the UCSC Literature Board, this event is a benefit for the Santa Cruz High School literary magazine. Donation $2.00

FAMED DUTCH SCULPTOR NIC JONK will exhibit a collection of his bronze sculptures and graphics in the University Library exhibit area and in the Clark Courtyard from Feb. 16 to March 30.

WOMEN'S CRISIS SUPPORT AND SHELTER SERVICES is pleased to announce the new location of their administrative, training and counseling offices. The new address and telephone number are: 180 Seventh Ave. Suite 107, Santa Cruz, CA 95062. Business: 462-4972. Crisis: 429-1478. Volunteers and contributions are always needed and welcome.

A MATH WORKSHOP for people that work with, or will be working with, children in the 3rd through 6th grades will be presented by the School Volunteer Program of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education on Fri., Feb. 24, from 9:30 to 11:30am at the S.C. Office of Education, 809 Bay Ave., Suite H, Capitola. There is a $3 admission fee, payable at the door; volunteers admitted free. Preregister by calling 476-7140 x289.

CASA—a project of the Comite de Solidaridad con El Salvador—is presenting a politically-oriented Hollywood film series. The next film to be shown is *Norma Rae*. The film will be presented on Sat. the 18th of Feb., 8pm at the Louden Nelson Center. $2 will be asked at the door. For more info, call 429-1039.

ATTENTION ART MAJORS: New policy regarding committee members for Comprehensive Exhibitions. Check the Art Board office for details. Also be sure to come in and check your requirements for graduation at the beginning of your senior year.

REGISTRATION OF CONTINUING GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS: Registration packets for spring quarter will be available Feb. 27 thru March 16 at Graduate Division/college offices. Late fee assessed after last day. Cashier's office/Office of the Registrar.

PSYCHOLOGY SENIORS: Judith White will be holding a Job Search/Job Exploration workshop for all psychology seniors on Feb. 27, 7-9pm in the Career Planning and Placement Center. Come and discuss how to look for a job and what the opportunities are with a degree in psychology. For sign-up call X2183 or stop by the Career Center.

CAREER PLANNING WORKSHOPS: Feb. 21, Resume/Interviewing/Job Search, 12noon Cowell A-Frame, Feb. 23, Interviewing Video, 7pm CPPC.

RECRUITERS: Feb. 21 Monterey Institute of International Studies, Feb. 22 Microfocus, Feb. 23 Intel Corp., Feb. 24 Zilog. For sign-up and further info stop by 123 Central Services or call 429-2183 or x2183.

MCAT TEXT TAKERS: REMINDER!! MCAT test dates for 1984-April 28, 1984 and Sept. 15, 1984. MCAT application material is now available at the Career Center. The deadline for the April text is March 30, 1984. No late registration. If there are any questions, attend the Pre-med drop-in, 10-11 daily at the Cowell A-Frame or call x4636.

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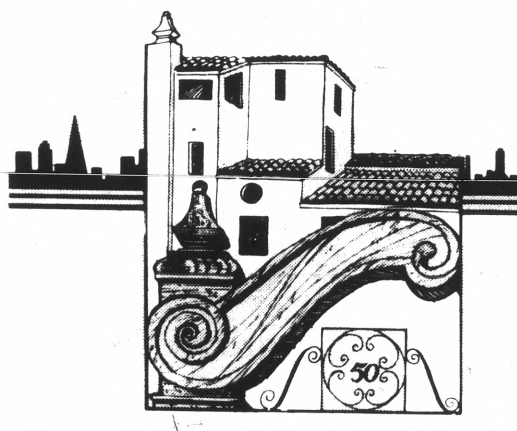

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EVER SAID, "IF I WERE PRESIDENT, I WOULD..."? If so, write what you would do in a couple hundred words or less. Participate! Send replies by March 1, 1984 to *If I were President, I would...*, Multiple Visions, PO Box 8042, Santa Cruz, CA 95061

THE SIERRA INSTITUTE/WILDERNESS STUDIES program of UC Extension is currently accepting applications for spring quarter 1984. Spend your spring studying natural history and ecology while backpacking in western wildlands. A wilderness instructors' course will also be offered. Programs grant 15 units of credit and are located in Hawaii, Utah and the Sierra Nevada. These programs have been very popular with UCSC students in the past and fill rapidly. For info, call the Sierra Institute at x2761.

MICHAEL ROSS, UCSC'S REPRESENTATIVE to the Student Body Presidents' Council, has open office hours every week on Mondays 1-2:30 and Thursdays 10:30-12 at the Student Activities A-Frame. Ross represents students at the state level, dealing with the state legislature, the UC Regents, and the UC Systemwide Administration. He also deals with various campuswide issues on occasion, often by special request. Come by and give him your ideas, advice, questions, greetings, or anything else you may have in your backpack.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE SAM FARR will be the guest on "Insight of the Beast," a public affairs show on KZSC 88.1 FM. From 4:30 until 6pm on Thurs., Feb. 23 he will be answering your call-ins. The number is 429-4036, get your questions ready!

SIERRA CLUB SANTA CRUZ REGIONAL GROUP: Sat., Feb. 18, Hike: Nisene Marks St. Park Loop. Meet at 8am at County Gov. Center or 8:30 at Anthony's (entrance to park). Bring: water, lunch—wear boots. Leaders are Pat and Kirk Smith 425-8599. Sun. Feb. 19, Hike: Fall Creek State Park, meet at Safeway parking lot, Graham Hill Rd., Felton, 1pm. Leaders are Margaret Nesmith 438-0602 and Dorothy Whitmore 462-6089.

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FREEZE VOTER '84 political action committee will be at shopping centers throughout Santa Cruz County collecting signatures on freeze "voter pledges," Sat. Feb. 18. Voter pledges indicate that voters will use the nuclear freeze as a key factor when voting for federal candidates in the upcoming elections. Anyone interested in volunteering should go to the Freeze Voter '84 office at 320 G Cedar St., Santa Cruz, at 10am on Sat., Feb. 18. For more info call 458-9975.

"HOW ALCOHOLISM CHANGES A FAMILY": Two lectures will be given by Donna Erhart, MFC, on family stages and on the phenonmenon of roles assumed by spouses and children to defend themselves from the ravages of an "addicted household." The first talk will be on Mon., Feb. 20 at 7pm at Janus, 718 Carmel St., Santa Cruz. The second will be on Feb. 27 at the same time and place. These presentations are free and open to the public. Phone Dawn Beach for more info. at 462-1060.

THE FOUR WINDS/WESTWARD HO summer camp will be conducting interviews to fill positions at that camp this summer, Wed. March 7. On Fri., March 9 a representative of Jameson Ranch, located in Glennville, Ca., will be conducting interviews to fill positions at that camp this summer. For further details about these camps and their programs please see the receptionist in the Student Employment office, room 125, Central Services and he can also schedule you for interviews on the above dates.

A WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN ENTITLED "From Exile to Empowerment, Bringing Spirit to Love, Work and Politics," Feb. 25-26 in Santa Cruz. We will explore where our power comes from, what our power is and how it can be used to bring healing in our lives and to our planet. Cost will be $40-50 depending on number of participants. For info, call 427-2651.

CROSSROADS: Music, movement, song, dance and poetry group now being formed. For information come to a meeting in the Martial Arts room (East Field House) on Sun., Feb. 19, 7:30-9pm or contact Laurie Moore, 425-9245 or x3256, Merrill, Dorm A, room 342.

CLAM CHOWDER BEACH AND RIVER RUN: The Santa Cruz Parks and Recreation Dept. is sponsoring the Clam Chowder Beach and River Run as part of the 2nd Annual Invitational Clam Chowder Cook-Off and Festival, Sat., Feb. 25 at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. Registration forms are available at City Parks and Recreation Offices. Registration is $6 in advance and $8 the day of the race. For more info, call 429-3777.

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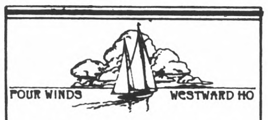

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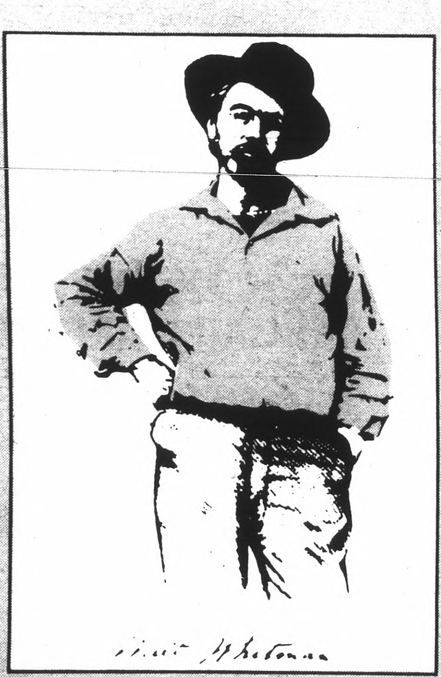

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